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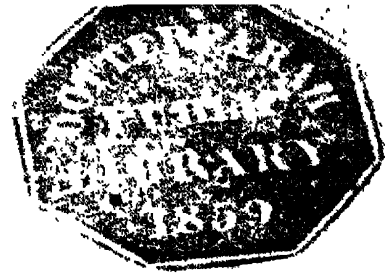
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- „ 6, „ 10, „ *reported* read *exported*.
- „ 8, „ 1, „ *shows* read *show*.
- „ „ „ 19, „ Rs. 12,00,000 read 10,00,000.
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- „ „ „ 21. For 1866-67. *Transactions* read 1866-67 ; *transactions*.
- „ 22, „ 8. For *was* read *were*.
- „ 31, „ 3, column 5 of Tabular Statement (Silk Piece Goods). For 1,21,486 read 1,21,483.
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- „ 37, 6th column, heading of Tabular Statement—For *Andaman Island* read *Andaman Islands*.
- „ 40, 6th column do. do.
- „ 44, Line No. 4 of Tabular Statement—For *Nyapie* read *Ngapee*.
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REPORT
ON THE
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OF
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FOR
1867-68.

1. THE year about to be reviewed ended on the 31st March 1868 and consisted of the usual period of twelve months, whilst the Report for 1866-67 included the returns for eleven months only, owing to an alteration in the date of closing the official year. In comparing the figures for the two several terms, therefore, due allowance must be made for the difference in time mentioned above.

Duration of Official
years 1866-67 and
1867-68.

2. But little experience was had during 1866-67 in the operations of the new Customs' Act XVII of 1867 which became law on the 11th March of the same year, that is 20 days only prior to its close, but in the year just closed it has been found to work very satisfactorily, resulting in a considerable addition to the revenue of the Province, and in no appreciable degree affecting the trade in the goods on which enhanced rates were levied, whilst the export of those goods from which the duty was altogether removed has considerably increased.

Working of Act
XVII of 1867.

3. The general increase shown on both the Exports and Imports of the Province during 1867-68 may be considered satisfactory, when the

General increase
satisfactory.

continued depression which has existed in trade throughout the world be taken into account.

... 4. That our relations with Upper Burma were placed on a firmer footing by the new treaty concluded in October last, is exemplified by the rapid increase in the value of the business done with that country in the past year, being just double that of the preceding year—and it is expected that, not only will the direct trade increase year by year, but a large through traffic will be carried on with Western China, as means of communication are opened out, and our goods become introduced to the knowledge of the people. The latter is the object of the present Mission under Captain Sladen to Talifoo in the Province of Yunan.

Relations with Upper Burma.

Captain Sladen's Mission.

5. The Statements X. Y. Z. appended show the principal features of the trade of the Province for the year 1867-68.

Statements showing principal features of trade.

6. The aggregate of the Exports by Sea is but little above that of 1866-67, but if we separate the Treasure from the Merchandise it will be observed the latter exhibits an increase of no less than Rs. 46,37,136, there being a falling off in the value of the former exported of Rs. 39,93,135, or deducting the increase in imported treasure (20 lakhs) there was still a decline in the export treasure of nearly 20 lakhs. This is satisfactory as showing that the real commerce of the Province is in an improving state, and that during the past year the value of the Imports was recouped to a greater extent by the produce of the country and the drain of specie thereby proportionably reduced.

Exports by Sea.

7. Of the Exports, the principal items displaying an improvement are as follows :—
Exports showing an increase.

Cutch,	Maunds	84,185	Rs. 8,80,948
Hides,	No.	73,913	„ 58,187
Ivory,	Maunds	140	„ 35,779
Jade,	„	8,761	„ 3,60,225
Lead,	„	5,582	„ 57,000
Rice and Paddy, Tons		77,816	„ 22,94,256
Timber,	„	12,123	„ 3,28,672
Miscellaneous,	...		„ 10,95,128

8. While the following have a decrease :—
Exports with a decrease.

Cotton, raw,	Maunds	12,486	Rs. 3,31,463
Orpiment,	„	605	„ 11,329
Petroleum,	„	2,886	„ 21,638
Precious Stones,	...		„ 13,815
Tobacco,	...		„ 37,624
Treasure, Government,	...		„ 9,82,000
Do. Private Parties,			„ 30,11,153

9. Cutch, only, shows much increase in the rated value.
Rated value of Exports. Hides, Jade, Rice and Paddy, Timber, Cotton, Tobacco, and Petroleum exhibiting a considerable diminution in price.

10. The sea-borne Imports of 1867-68 in comparison with those of the previous year evince a very important augmentation in favor of the year under review—Merchandise being about 53 lakhs, and Specie about 20 lakhs, or taking into account the eleven, and twelve, months respectively the *real* increase is

Imports by Sea considerably augmented.

Merchandise,	...	Rs. 30,15,941
Treasure,		„ 12,09,272

Imports with an increase. . . 11. The most considerable improvement in Imports is shown in— .

ARTICLES.			Quantity.	Value.
				Rupees.
Cotton Twist and Yarn,	...	...	lbs. 1,159,115	9,91,491
Gunny bags,	...	...	No. 909,731	2,56,931
Cotton Piece Goods,	...	...	Pieces 525,254	20,03,802
Silk do.	...	...	" 97,346	7,32,778
Woollen do.	...	...	" 14,104	1,19,704
Spirits, Wines, Beer, &c.	...	...	Gallons. 49,240	2,33,016
Treasure, Private Parties,	...	...	...	19,22,717
Miscellaneous,	...	...	...	19,90,138

* Imports with a decrease. 12. The following articles show a decided decrease :—

Betel-nuts,	...	...	Rs. 88,576
Crockery,	...	...	" 77,712
Cutlery,	...	...	" 36,125
Raw Silk,	lbs 33,408	...	" 1,75,212
Timber,	Tons 356	...	" 19,712
Tobacco,	Mds. 58,313	...	" 6,09,839

13. With reference to the Rice trade of the Province, it is observable that this article is not much exported to the Eastward: it appears a large and increasing traffic in this grain is being carried on between the Straits', Chinese and other Ports of the Eastern Seas, and Saigon and Bangkok. It is not, however, probable that the Rice grown in Cochin China and Siam will extensively compete in the European markets with the produce of British Burma.

14. In the accompanying table, embracing both the Sea-borne and Inland Trade, is shown the value of Exports and Imports, and amounts of Customs' Duty realized in each Division of

the Province during the year as compared with 1866-67, and, as the latter was an imperfect year, the totals for 1865-66 are also noted to enable a fairer estimate to be arrived at :—

DIVISIONS.	Value of Exports.	Value of Imports.	Total.	Customs' duties realized.
	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.
ARAKAN, ... { 1865-66.	83,30,288	76,35,730	1,59,66,018	3,79,579
... { 1866-67.	54,27,193	51,34,916	1,05,62,109	2,93,367
... { 1867-68.	47,02,036	72,93,021	1,19,95,057	4,37,129
TENASSERIM, { 1865-66.	1,01,03,873	85,08,909	1,86,12,782	1,18,042
{ 1866-67.	65,25,816	66,64,925	1,31,90,741	1,13,196
{ 1867-68.	68,29,481	70,59,562	1,38,89,043	1,46,565
PEGU—LAND { 1865-66.	3,72,49,697	3,56,24,820	7,28,74,517	13,97,742
AND SEA, ... { 1866-67.	2,74,74,873	2,77,66,836	5,52,41,709	7,82,851
{ 1867-68.	3,60,64,835	3,75,60,938	7,36,25,773	14,08,045
Grand Total... { 1865-66.	5,56,83,858	5,17,69,459	10,74,53,317	18,95,363
{ 1866-67.	3,94,27,882	3,95,66,677	7,89,94,559	11,80,417
{ 1867-68.	4,75,96,352	5,19,13,521	9,95,09,873	19,91,739
Increase as compared } with 1866-67, ... }	81,68,470	1,23,46,844	2,05,15,314	8,02,322
Increase as compared } with 1865-66, ... }	...	1,44,062	...	96,376
Decrease do. ... }	80,87,506	...	79,43,444	...

15. From the foregoing it will be seen there was a very considerable increase in the trade of 1867-68 over 1866-67, but the Exports in comparison with 1865-66 show a heavy decline, which is owing to the great falling off in the trade of the Arakan and Tenasserim Divisions, the former being to the extent of Rs. 36,28,252, the latter Rs. 32,74,392, and in Pegu the smaller, but still important, sum of Rs. 11,84,862. This decrease is accounted for as follows :—

ARAKAN.

Rice and Paddy, ...	Rs. 21,07,645
Treasure, ...	„ 12,95,163
Miscellaneous, ...	„ 1,25,184

TENASSERIM.

Timber, ... Rs. 37,95,384

*PEGU.

Cotton, ... Rs. 10,28,680

Petroleum, ... „ 1,24,689

16. In Arakan the diminution in the quantity of Rice and Paddy shipped was about 25,000 tons, with a considerable reduction in the stated value per ton. A very small amount of Treasure, both by Government and private parties, was reported in 1867-68.

17. The Timber trade of Tenasserim although considerably improved in the year under review over the previous one, still shows it has not regained its former prosperous condition.

18. The reasons for the decrease on Cotton and Petroleum will be given when commenting upon these commodities in the Pegu Exports.

19. In Imports, also, Arakan and Tenasserim exhibit a falling off—in the first named Division chiefly in Gunny bags and Cotton piece goods, the dealings in both articles being dependant upon the Rice markets; in the last named in Treasure imported by private parties consequent on smaller sums being required for Teak—but this is more than counter-balanced by the increase in the Pegu Division.

20. The addition of nearly a lakh of Rupees to the Customs' Dues realized is attributable to the enhanced rates levied.

21. The Statements as under give the parts of the world with which the Sea-borne trade of British Burma is carried on, grouped as follows :—

Sea-borne trade
parts of the World
with which carried
on.

Home Ports—within the territory of the Government of India.

All Foreign Ports—including Aden and the Straits' Settlements.

• And the Ports of the Province itself.

EXPORTS OF BRITISH BURMA.

		HOME PORTS.	FOREIGN PORTS.	BRITISH BUR- MA PORTS.	GRAND TOTAL.
		Value in Rupees.	Value in Rupees	Value in Rupees.	Value in Rupees
Merchandise.	{ 1866-67.	69,44,492	123,28,111	38,68,914	231,40,617
	{ 1867-68	74,78,753	160,19,920	42,79,030	277,77,753
Treasure, ...	{ 1866-67	69,07,024	3,81,909	17,41,641	90,30,574
	{ 1867-68	28,56,126	2,75,157	19,06,138	50,37,421
Grand Total..	{ 1866-67.	138,51,516	127,10,020	56,09,655	321,71,191
	{ 1867-68	103,34,879	162,95,077	61,85,218	328,15,174
Increase .			35,85,057	5,75,563	6,43,983
Decrease		35,16,637		...	..

IMPORTS OF BRITISH BURMA.

Merchandise..	{ 1866-67.	142,72,821	72,07,374	40,72,653	255,52,848
	{ 1867-68.	163,34,663	105,24,546	40,32,564	308,91,773
Treasure, ...	{ 1866-67.	65,96,902	6,03,465	11,79,951	83,80,318
	{ 1867-68.	80,26,771	7,77,586	15,47,079	103,51,436
Grand Total...	{ 1866-67.	208,69,723	78,10,839	52,52,604	339,33,166
	{ 1867-68.	243,61,434	113,02,132	55,79,643	412,43,209
Increase...		34,91,711	34,91,293	3,27,039	73,10,043
Decrease...		...	...	...	...

22. The above shows that the total value of the Import trade is in excess of the Exports to the extent of Rs. 84,28,035 as compared with Rs. 16,71,965 for the eleven months of 1866-67.

Excess of Imports
over Exports.

23. Tables showing the totals of both quantities and values of the Sea-borne Trade of the Province, together with a Statement of the Exports and Imports by sea and land, and the Customs' Duty realized thereupon for the past 5 years (including 1867-68) have been prepared, and averages drawn therefrom.

Statistics of trade
for last 5 years.

24. The year 1863-64 has been taken as the starting point because the frontier Customs' Dues had been abolished early in that year. In the previous year (1862-63) on an inland trade of about Rs. 1,13,00,000 nearly Rs. 6,00,000 duty had been levied. The value of the trade in 1867-68 was more than double that of the year preceding the removal of the Duty, being about Rs. 2,54,50,000 the Dues on which—may be assumed—would have been at least Rs. 12,00,000.

Frontier Duty abo-
lished in 1863-64.

25. From the Return (No. 1.) appended the results apparent are, that the total value of Exports and Imports, inland and sea-borne, in 1867-68 was Rs. 9,95,09,873 which is Rs. 75,36,806 above the average of the 5 years, including 1867-68. The increase in the last, over the first, year of the term is Rs. 2,90,19,621, the increment being in Pegu and Tenasserim, Arakan exhibiting a falling off. The value of the trade is, however, less than in 1864-65—which was a “bumper year”—by Rs. 39,07,465, the decrease being observable in Arakan and Tenasserim, while Pegu shows a steady increase—1866-67 be it remembered, being an incomplete year. The progress of

Value of trade in
1867-68 in compari-
son with previous
years.

Advantages pos- Pegu is but natural, considering the advan-
sessed by Pegu. . tages she possesses over the other Divisions
by having a navigable river on which to convey her com-
merce into the heart of Upper Burma.

26. The transactions in Treasure have been very variable
Transactions in and have had a great deal to do with these
Treasure variable. results. It may be observed that Specie has
a two-fold action, that is to say, when trade is slack less is
imported, but when brisk, the value of the trade is enhanced
by large importations of coin.

27. As regards Customs' duty the receipts in 1867-68
Customs' Dues. show an increase over the previous year of
eleven months of Rs. 8,02,322, and over the
average of the 5 years of Rs. 2,32,469—an increase is also
visible over 1865-66 of Rs. 96,376—but there is an unfavor-
able comparison with the year 1864-65 by Rs. 46,917.

28. In the attached Statement (No. 2) of EXPORTS *by*
Export by Sea for Sea during the last 5 years, it will be noticed
5 years. that the trade in *Cutch* had been on the de-
cline from 1863-64 to 1866-67, but in 1867-68 a vast increase
Cutch. is exhibited, which exceeds the mean of the
quinquennial period by maunds 37,938 and
Rs. 5,62,518.

29. *Hides* also show a gradual diminution in the four
Hides. previous years, but a great improvement in
the last year, and an excess over the average
of Rs. 37,652. The increased exportation of this article is
an indication of deaths by murrian, and offers no scope for
congratulation.

30. *Horns* and *Ivory* evince no inconsiderable increase.
Horns, Ivory and In *Jade Stones* the trade has mended greatly
Jade. in 1867-68, exceeding the mean by maunds
2,885 value Rs. 2,02,317.

The *average* of the value of Jade is somewhat above the proper figure in consequence of the tariff rate in 1863-64 having been about thrice that since recorded. In subsequent years this article has been valued at a fixed rate of 100 Rs. per maund instead of at a fluctuating ad valorem rate.

31. *Lead* is in excess, maunds 3,531 Rupees 38,063. *Miscellaneous goods* exhibit a gradual improvement for the whole term of 5 years, and exceed the average by about 8 lakhs of Rupees.

Lead and Miscellaneous.

32. The Exports of 1867-68 displaying a decrease on the average of the 5 years are :—

Exports showing a decrease

ARTICLES.			Quantity.	Value.
Copper, ...	..	..	Maunds 322	Rs. 14,949
Cotton, raw, ..	..	..	.. 26,581	.. 8,78,227
Orpiment, ...	...	..	.. 647	.. 21,102
Petroleum, ...	...	..	.. 22,276	.. 86,719
Rice and Paddy, ...	...	..	Tons 45,534	.. 32,17,191
Precious Stones, ...	...	..	..	.. 82,952
Stick lac, ...	..	..	Maunds 1,111	.. 15,940
Timber, ...	...	..	Tons 24,076	.. 16,00,276
Treasure, ...	...	..	...	.. 8,55,721

33. The principal fluctuations in Exports have taken place in Cotton, Cutch, Petroleum, Rice and Paddy, Timber, and Treasure; it is somewhat remarkable that no one article has shown a steady annual increase during the last 5 years. This, in a measure, is owing to the dullness of trade in 1866-67 and 1867-68, but many articles which improved in 1864-65 display a falling off in the subsequent year 1865-66, which was the most important for the whole period.

Fluctuations in Exports.

34. The annexed Table (No. 3) gives the IMPORTS by Sea for the 5 years ending 31st March last, and from it will be observed the Import trade of 1867-68 compares very favorably with the average.

Imports by Sea for 5 years.

35. The undernoted figures show that the value of *Merchandise* imported in the year under review was much in excess of any previous year; but in *Treasure* there is a considerable diminution both on the average total and on those of the first three years of the period included in the Return :—

YEARS.			Merchandise.	Treasure.
1863-64,	...	..	1,75,55,171	1,07,51,523
1864-65,	...	.	2,45,55,973	1,70,47,418
1865-66,	...	.	2,61,19,117	1,80,61,919
1866-67	..	.	2,55,52,817	83,80,318
1867-68,	...	..	3,08,91,773	1,03,51,436
Total .			12,50,05,214	6,15,95,644
Average .			2,50,01,012	1,29,19,129

36. The following list exhibits the articles of Import in 1867-68 which have an increase over the average of the 5 years :—

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1867-68.		Average of 5 years.		Increase.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rupees.	Quantity	Value. Rupees.	Quantity.	Value. Rupees.
Betel-nuts,	Mds.	177,100	14,02,879	153,341	11,31,806	23,756	2,68,073
Cotton Twist and Yarn	lbs.	3,293,412	38,75,903	2,096,085	25,80,864	1,197,327	12,95,039
Cutlery,			2,10,075		1,67,751		42,324
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	1,696,161	66,79,972	1,243,812	51,61,339	452,349	15,15,633
Do. Silk,	..	465,112	26,69,481	423,560	24,72,795	41,552	1,96,686
Do. Woollen,	..	45,382	12,83,822	40,946	11,81,717	4,436	1,02,103
Spirituous Liquors,	Galls.	70,042	4,49,836	49,006	3,46,654	21,036	1,03,182
Wines, Beer, &c.	..	374,454	7,92,984	336,426	6,38,535	38,028	1,54,449
Sugar,	Mds.	36,911	3,53,962	32,041	3,12,388	4,870	41,574
Timber,	Tons.	3,722	2,00,552	2,996	1,64,213	726	36,339
Tobacco,	Mds.	130,333	14,79,897	143,877	12,96,269	..	1,83,628
Miscellaneous,			95,28,583		71,34,853	...	23,93,730
Total			2,89,27,946		2,25,95,184		63,32,762

37. And the undermentioned those which show a de-

Imports with a de-crease :—
crease.

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1867-68.		Average of 5 years.		Decrease.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rupees.	Quantity.	Value. Rupees.	Quantity.	Value. Rupees.
Crockery, ..	No.	3,586,526	1,60,100	4,238,006	1,91,984	651,480	31,884
Gunny bags, ..			10,88,488		13,78,353		2,89,865
Hardware, ..	lbs.	68,294	2,15,365	92,334	2,45,046	24,040	29,681
Silk, raw, ..			4,99,874		5,90,475		90,601
Treasure, Government, ..	Do.	Private Parties,	3,40,390		5,37,175		1,96,785
Do. Private Parties,			1,00,11,046		1,23,81,954		23,70,908
Total.	.	.	1,23,15,263	..	1,53,24,987	...	30,09,724

38. The items of Import exhibiting a steady increase are Betel-nuts, Cotton, Twist and Yarn, Cutlery, Cotton piece goods (except in 1866-67,) Spirits, Wines, Beer, &c., Timber, Tobacco and Miscellaneous : which Crockery, Gunny bags, Hardware, Silk and Woollen piece goods, Silk, Sugar and Treasure, have been very fluctuating.

39. The accompanying Statements A. B. D. show, respectively, the effect of Act XVII of 1867 upon the principal articles of

Progress of trade in Imports.

Effect of Act XVII of 1867 upon the trade.

Import—on which the tariff rates, &c. were increased.

Export—on which the rates of duty were enhanced.

Import—on which reduced rates of duty, &c. were levied.

Export—which were declared *free*.

These returns, with the exception of that of Grain exported, which has been completed in the Chief Commissioner's Office, are imperfect, owing to the non-receipt of information from the Arakan Division.

40. The most important Imports passed through the Rangoon Custom House under enhanced rates of duty and tariff value (Statement A.) were as follows :—

Beleb-nuts.—The increase in quantity is cwts. 9,284, and in the amount of duty realized Rupees 7,892.

A. Imports with enhanced rates of duty and valuation.

Cotton thread in reels—shows a diminution in lbs. 121, but an increase in duty of Rupees 32-6.

Gums—have, comparatively, increased considerably in quantity with a corresponding augmentation in the duty realized.

Liquors.—The addition to the rate levied on Sparkling Wines has not tended to reduce the quantity imported—on the contrary the increase is in gallon 1,853, and the duty received is in excess of 1866-67 by Rupees 3,685. The return from Maulmain however shows a falling off.

Oils, both Cocoanut and Linseed, exhibit a considerable increase, although the rate of duty thereupon has been augmented large

Cocoanut—Gallons,	19,191	Duty Rs.	2,482
Linseed—	10,122	„	1,713

There is a net increase on the Customs' dues received on *Sugar* of Rs. 424.

Silk—raw and thread—displays a very favorable increase over the previous year, being in

1867-68 ... lbs.	16,537	Duty Rs.	8,587
1866-67 ... „	3,765	„	1,413
Increase ... „	12,772	„	7,174

At Maulmain a small increment in the quantity of Steel imported is shown.

41. Statement B. sets forth the two chief articles of Export upon which the rates of duty were raised.
 B. Exports upon which duty was increased.

The Rice returns are from the Ports of Rangoon, Bassein, Maulmain, and Akyab, and those of Stick-lac from the three first named ports only.

Grain of all kinds—shows a very satisfactory increase over 1866-67, the totals being as follows:—

1867-68	...	Mds.	7,251,912	Duty Rs.	13,91,104
1866-67	...	„	5,078,772	„	6,84,486
Increase			2,73,140		7,06,618

Stick-lac, however, exhibits a decrease both in quantity and amount of duty—on the former cwts. 946, and the latter Rs. 613.

42. The Imports with reduced rates of valuation and duty (Statement C.) are *Cotton Twist, Piece goods, and Metals*. The first named imported into Rangoon has an increase over the preceding year of lbs. 695,240, and the amount of duty realized is in excess by Rs. 22,609.
 C. Imports with reduced Duty, &c.

The net increase in the duty received in the Rangoon Custom House on Piece Goods is Rs 16,234.

On Metals there is a slight increase in the duty on Imports into Rangoon, but a considerable falling off on the Maulmain return.

43. The articles of Export which were declared free of duty by the Act under notice are herewith given, together with the increase in the quantities shipped in 1867-68 over the shipments of 1866-67:—

Exports declared
Duty free.

Cutch,	...	...	...	Cwts.	33,827
Hides,	...	...	...	No.	99,682
Horns,	..	...	..	No.	9,686
Lead,	...	..	...	Cwts.	420
Ivory,	...	...	...	Cwts.	131
Jade Stones,	..	...	...	Cwts.	2,742

44. The trade of the several Divisions will be remarked upon apart, and first in geographical position is

Divisions.

ARAKAN.

45. The Statement hereunder given represents the totals of the trade of this Division in the year just closed, in comparison with the aggregates of Exports, Imports and Custom's duty realized for the previous year

Aggregates of the
trade of Arakan.

YEARS.	Exports.	Imports.	Total.	Duty.
	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.
1866-67, ...	54,27,193	51,34,916	105,62,109	2,93,367
1867-68, ...	47,02,036	72,93,021	119,95,057	4,37,129
Decrease...	7,25,157	...	...	...
Increase...	...	21,58,105	14,32,948	1,43,762

46. This shows an improvement to the extent of about four per cent over 1866-67, after making due allowance for the difference in the period of time included in the Official years.

Improvement over
1866-67.

47. In the following table we have a list of **EXPORTS** on which there has been an increase :—
Exports—*increase.*

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67.		1867-68.		Increase.	
		Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.
Cutch, ...	Mds.	1,040	8,917	5,110	35,265	4,070	26,348
Hides, ...	No.	3,862	3,609	3,493	3,630		21
Horns, ...	"	10,260	4,078	16,778	6,945	6,518	2,867
Ivory, ...	Mds.	5	100	18	1,070	13	970
Lead, ...	"	3	30	5	70	2	40
Rice and Paddy,	Tons.	81,391	37,43,860	97,876	39,62,961	16,485	2,19,101

48. The increase over 1866-67 both in the quantity and value of *Rice and Paddy* shipped is considerable ; still the total quantity is less than the average of preceding years by about 22,500 tons.

This falling off is not in the production of the soil, for at the close of the official year the stocks in Akyab ready for shipment were from 20,000 to 25,000 tons, but is owing to the paucity of tonnage available.

Freights ruled very high, but the supply of ships was not equal to the demand. The enhancement of the duty from 2 to 3 annas per maund has in no degree affected the trade.

49. *Cutch* is the only other item, the increase of which calls for notice ; the excess value of this article exported in 1867-68 over the previous year was Rs. 26,248.

50. The following Statement displays the **EXPORTS** with a decrease :—
Exports—*decrease.*

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67.		1867-68.		Decrease.	
		Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.
Coffee, ...	Mds.	131	2,036	9	194	122	1,842
Cotton, raw, ...	"	691	4,094	...	...	691	4,094
Timber, ...	Tons,	1,305	78,429	1,134	69,498	171	8,931
Tobacco, ...	Mds.	3,774	22,129	2,703	21,093	1,071	1,036
Treasure—Government.	...	...	9,20,000	...	1,25,000	...	7,95,000
Do. Private Parties,	...	...	4,55,948	...	3,12,441	...	1,43,507
Miscellaneous,	...	...	1,83,963	...	1,63,869	...	20,094

51. The reduction in *Timber* is ascribed to a want of shipping for Railway sleepers to Calcutta; it is also stated that the Ironwood jungles near the margin of the creeks around Akyab have become exhausted.

52. The diminution in the amount of *Specie* exported, amounting to Rupees 9,38,507, arises chiefly from the remittances of Government Treasure to Calcutta being less than in the preceding year.

53. The two Statements which follow set forth the Imports of Arakan during 1866-67 and 1867-68 and respectively show the increase and decrease :—

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67.		1867-68.		Increase.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Cutlery,	No.		3,418		5,235		1,817
Gunny bags,		5,38,150	1,39,672	11,44,969	3,45,544	6,06,819	2,05,872
Hardware,			9,228		11,663		2,435
Piece Goods, Woollen,	Pieces	4,699	82,212	1,410	1,15,099	Decrease.	3,289
Spirituous Liquors,	Do.	6,164	37,611	5,685	40,860		3,249
Wines and Beer,		16,811	28,430	12,485	52,874	4,326	24,444
Sugar,	Mds.	1,500	18,838	1,824	23,850	Increase.	324
Timber,	Tons.					Decrease.	
Treasure—Government		855	27,970	830	43,596	55	15,626
Do. Private Parties,			69,989		1,49,990		80,001
Miscellaneous,			21,07,131		38,51,288		17,44,157
			7,18,448		10,24,776		3,06,328

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67.		1867-68.		Decrease.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Betel-nuts,	Mds.	19,586	1,46,672	20,130	1,39,582	Increase.	544
Cotton Twist and Yarn,	lbs.	2,92,072	5,52,296	2,90,966	5,13,490	Decrease.	1,076
Crockery-ware,			51,208		17,448		33,760
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	2,25,390	8,28,766	2,21,988	7,45,216	3,402	83,550
Do. Silk,	"	55,341	1,44,049	41,479	89,999	13,862	54,050
Silk, raw,	lbs.	220	2,250	100	800	120	1,450
Tobacco,	Mds.	19,127	1,66,727	15,245	1,21,711	3,882	45,016

54. The increase in the importation of *Gunny bags* arises from the enhanced exportation of *Gunny bags*. Rice. The trade in *Gunnies* is always dependant upon the abundance, or otherwise, of the *Rice* crops, and the buoyancy of the *Rice* trade, and in the case of *Akyab* represents a very satisfactory result.

55. There is a considerable addition in *Woollen stuff* imported, which is attributed to the Natives preferring *Woollen* to *Cotton* jackets. *Woollen stuff*.

56. *Timber*.—An insignificant increase is observable in this article owing to a shipment of planks from *Singapore*. *Timber*.

57. Larger amounts of *Specie* were forwarded from other parts of the world on account of *Rice* than were utilized, hence a considerable amount was re-exported. The increase in the value of *Imports* arises chiefly from the excess importation of *Treasure*. *Specie*.

58. The falling off in the *Imports* of *Cotton Twist* and *Yarn* and *Cotton Silk piece goods* is stated to be due to the short quantity of grain shipped in 1866-67. Transactions in the one market to a large extent depending upon the other. *Cotton Twist and Yarn and Cotton and Silk piece goods*.

59. The decrease in *Crockery-ware* is set down to the few arrivals from the *Straits*, and that in *Tobacco* to cautious dealing on the part of the native traders, who have suffered losses for a year or two past. *Crockery-ware and Tobacco*.

60. The *Customs' duty* of the Division has been augmented to the very satisfactory extent of *Rupees* 1,43,752 *entirely from Exports*, there being a slight decrease in the amount realized from *Imports*. *Customs' Duty*.

through a large proportion of these goods having already had duty paid upon them either in Calcutta or Rangoon.. The excess importation of Treasure does not effect the duty.

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61. The trade of this Division is partly sea-borne and partly inland; Customs' duty being levied on the former only.

62. The following Statement sets forth the value of the sea-borne trade of 1866-67 and 1867-68, and shows the increase in the latter year over the former :—

Years.	Imports.	Exports.	Total.	Customs.
1866-67, ...	221,33,325	202,18,182	423,51,507	7,82,854
1867-68, ...	268,90,626	212,83,657	481,74,283	14,08,045
Increase...	47,57,301	10,65,475	58,22,776	6,25,191
Decrease...	...	...	...	...

63. It will be observed that there is a great improvement in the year under review over the totals of the preceding year; but there is a decrease of no less than Rs. 91,01,181 on those of 1865-66, principally in Exports. The Customs' duty is nearly double that of 1866-67, and exceeds the aggregate of 1865-66 by Rs. 10,303.

64. EXPORTS.—*Copper*.—The quantity of this metal exported during the year was 823 maunds, of the value of Rs. 21,452, against 324 maunds and Rs. 13,795 in 1866-67. There appears a considerable dif,

ference in the stated value of this substance for the respective periods—some of it being old copper from off worn out ships.

65. *Cotton, raw.*—The falling off in the Export of this staple still continues, being for the year maunds 11,060 valued at Rupees 2,94,192 as follows :—

1866-67,	...	Maunds	45,131	Rs	8,77,751
1867-68,	...	„	34,071	„	5,83,559
Decrease,			11,060	Rs	2,94,192

This decline is chiefly due to the depreciation in value in the Home marts, and consequent low prices ranging here last season, causing perhaps less cultivation and inducing the growers in the interior to look for better markets for what they do produce in the direction of China, where there is a considerable demand for this article. Larger quantities also are used by the natives in the manufacture of clothing, &c.

66. *Cutch.*—The Export of this substance has very much increased since the duty was taken off under Act XVII of 1867. The quantities for the two years are as follows :—

1866-67,	..	Maunds	70,136	Rs	3,55,672
1867-68,	...	„	150,848	„	12,12,966
Increase,			80,712	Rs	8,57,294

67. *Hides.*—The increase in the number shipped is considerable, being 73,087 of the value of Rs. 58,128, and is attributable to the supplies brought down from Upper Burma owing to murrain among farm cattle.

68. *Horns*.—A small increment only No. 9,686 value
Horns. Rs. 4,283.

69. *Ivory*.—The quantity exported is augmented largely, being 201 maunds, value Rs. 52,490.
Ivory. against 73 maunds value Rs. 18,314 in the
previous year.

70. *Jade Stones*.—The exportation of this article has
Jade. considerably improved since the removal of
the duty hitherto levied thereon :—

1866-67,	...	Maunds	593	Rs.	39,325
1867-68,	...	"	4,354	"	3,61,050
Increase, .				3,761	Rs. 3,04,725

.. Much of it, after being worked up into ornaments, is sent
back from China, as these ornaments are highly appreciated
by the people of this and the adjoining territories.

71. *Lead*.—Shows also a large increase over 1866-67—
Lead. the quantity for that year being 1,339 mds.
valued at Rs. 10,210 against 6,756 mds. and
Rs. 64,655 in the year under review. Maunds 6,827 of this
metal were imported from beyond the frontier during the
year, a very small per centage of which appears to have been
used locally.

72. *Orpiment*.—(Yellow sulphide of Arsenic) a sub-
Orpiment. stance chiefly utilized as a pigment, and by
pyrotechnists, has considerably fallen off
during the past year :—

1866-67,	...	Maunds	1,562	Rs.	35,259
1867-68,	...	"	807	"	20,150
Decrease,...				755	Rs. 15,109

The entire quantity was entered for export to the Home Ports subject to the Government of India."

73. *Petroleum*.—The total Imports of this "hydro-carbon" from beyond the frontier was maunds

Petroleum. 1,56,422, showing an increase over the preceding year of maunds 38,187. This large aggregate appears to have been mainly used within this Division; the maunds 14,113 exported was taken principally to the other Divisions of the Province. The shipments for foreign ports have always been, and are likely to continue, small, owing to the preference given to American oil.

74. *Rice and Paddy*.—Notwithstanding the extra duty imposed upon Grain under Act XVII of 1867 there has been a large increase in the quantity of the above-mentioned article exported, viz., Rangoon, tons 55,283, Bassein, tons 10,471. The totals are as follows :—

1866-67,	...	Tons 1,34,548	Rs. 74,12,897
1867-68,	...	" 2,00,302	" 97,86,693
Increase,.. 65,754			Rs....23,73,796

From the chief port (Rangoon) the duty paying cargoes were tons 1,32,586 value Rs. 66,04,197 as against tons 76,278 and Rs. 43,82,971 in 1866-67. The average prices per 100 baskets were for—

Rangoon.

Clean,	...	...	Rs. 188
Cargo,	...	...	" 140
Paddy,	...	...	" 70

The shipments from Bassein during the closing months of the year 1867-68 seem to have been curtailed through the want of freight following on the engagement of so many ships in Calcutta and elsewhere

Bassein.

for the Abyssinian expedition, and the consequent high rates prevailing. The average price for cargo Rice in this port was Rs. 124-8 in the past year, and Rs. 144-8 in the previous one.

75. *Precious Stones*.—The Imports of this article from Upper Burma show an increase of above Rs. 25,000, but there is a decrease on the Exports from Rangoon of Rs. 13,315. In 1866-67 the total value was Rs. 2,41,725, and in 1867-68 Rs. 2,28,410.

76. *Stick-lac*.—A small decrease will also be observed in this commodity, the figures being 3,016 maunds and 2,971 maunds for 1866-67 and 1867-68 respectively.

77. *Timber*.—This trade continues dull, and there has been a slight falling off as will be seen from the following aggregates :—

1866 67,	Tons	19,217	Rs	10,91,159
1867 68,	„	17,173	„	9,18,828
Decrease,		1,774	Rs	1,45,631

The demand for Europe has improved, but a smaller quantity has been shipped to the Home ports subject to the Government of India. Maulmain is, however, the chief port for the exportation of Timber.

78. *Tobacco*.—A decrease to the extent of 2,515 mds. has taken place in Tobacco, which is caused by the exports to the Provincial ports having been less in the past year.

79. *Treasure*.—There has been a decrease of no less than Rs. 27,27,717 in the amount of Treasure exported by private parties, which as already

observed may be considered rather satisfactory, tending as it does to show that the value of Imports is, to a greater degree than in the previous year, being met by Exports, and the balance of trade more equalized.

80. *Sundries*.—In the value of goods included under this heading there has been a very fair increase of Rs. 5,68,989 in Rangoon, and Rs. 7,532 in Bassein.

81. *Imports*.—The Import trade by Sea during the year has shown a great improvement over that of 1866-67—after allowing that the latter comprised only 11 months—the increase being nearly a half a crore of Rupees or half a million sterling; whilst the duty realized in this department, notwithstanding that many articles were transferred to the free list under Act No XVII of 1867 is Rs. 1,13,112 more than that of the previous year.

Of the principal articles of Import:—

82. *Betel-nuts*.—Contrary to the preceding year there has been a decrease in the value, but an increase in the quantity imported, thus:—

1866-67	Maunds	1,01,550	Rs	12,14,837
1867-68,	,	1,28,435	„	10,96,693
Increase,				23,885
Decrease, .				Rs 1,18,144

83. *Cotton Twist and Yarn*.—Shows the enormous increase of Rs. 9,58,309 over 1866-67, viz:—

1867-68	..	lbs	26,62,295	Rs	29,61,852
1866-67,	...	„	16,07,415	„	20,03,543
Increase,				10,54,880	Rs 9,58,309

84. *Crockery-ware*.—There is a decrease of Rs. 33,497
Crockery-ware. in the value of this article.

85. *Cutlery*.—The market for these goods appears to
Cutlery. be steady, but there is no material increase to notice.

86. *Gunny bags*.—The eleven months of 1866-67 closed
Gunnies. with a decrease in the quantity and value of bags imported. In the year under review the increase has been very considerable—in No. 4,81,962 and value Rs. 1,15,635—which may be noted as the criterion of a good rice season.

87. *Hardware*.—In the value of this commodity there
Hardware. is a nominal improvement of Rs. 6,424.

88. *Piece Goods*.—The Cotton and Silk goods market
- - Piece Goods. has shown immense elasticity with the re-opening of the trade with Upper Burma; and for Woollens there is a constant demand, although at reduced prices.

The additional value of these staples imported in 1867-68 as compared with 1866-67 is nearly 26 lakhs of Rupees or £2,60,000, of which no less than 22 lakhs value were taken for the markets beyond the frontier.

The future extension of this trade may be looked upon as a certainty if Upper Burma remains tranquil, as thereby our commercial relations with the interior must be gradually improved, but a great deal remains yet to be accomplished in the way of routes and roads.

The total quantities and value of the respective goods passed through the Custom Houses of Rangoon and Bassein during the last two official years are as follows :—

COTTONS.				
1867-68,	...	Pieces	11,86,266	Rs. 46,67,066
1866-67,	...	"	7,27,277	" 27,93,891
— Increase,			4,58,989	Rs....18,73,175

SILKS.

1867-68,	...	Pieces	3,76,232	Rs.	21,75,657
1866-67,	...	"	2,79,624	"	14,79,874
Increase,...				96,608	Rs....6,95,783

WOOLLENS.

1867-68,	...	Pieces	36,453	Rs.	9,31,963
1866-67,	...	"	21,520	"	9,16,492
Increase, ..				14,933	Rs....15,471

In Rangoon the importations of Cotton goods ranged as under during the four quarters of the year :—

1st, Value	...	...	Rs.	6,61,697
2nd, „	...	...	„	14,91,736
3rd, „	...	...	„	10,45,988
4th, „	...	...	„	14,64,258

89. *Raw Silk*.—There has been the large decrease of lbs. 35,269, Rs. 1,82,286 on this article.

Raw Silk.

90. *Liquors*.—The demand for Spirits, Wines, Beer, &c. seems to be on the increase, as the importations during the year under review were considerably in excess of those of the previous year, the aggregate being :—

Liquors.

1867-68,	...	Gallons	4,00,795	Rs.	10,48,731
1866-67,	...	"	3,46,041	"	8,26,970
Increase,...				54,754	Rs....2,21,761

91. *Sugar*.—A small increase of mds. 5,246 and Rs. 45,379 will be observed in this commodity.

Sugar.

92. *Timber*.—Exhibits a decrease of tons 296—Rupees 35,489.

Timber.

93. *Tobacco*.—The importations of this “narcotic” in the eleven months of 1866-67, were very large, and, without doubt, overstocked the market, hence there is a considerable falling off in the quantity brought in during the last year. In the former the total was mds. 1,33,162, Rs. 15,48,806, and in the latter mds. 90,848, Rs. 10,69,727, or a decrease of mds. 42,314, Rs. 4,79,079.

94. *Treasure*.—The Specie imported by private parties is slightly in excess of the preceding year, being Rs. 44,86,281 against Rs. 44,74,321, an increase of Rs. 11,960.

95. *Sundries*.—Under which all commodities not named above are embraced, show a total improvement of Rs. 16,52,583, which is attributable in some degree to the reduction in tariff rates and the removal of duty from minor articles.

96. There has been a considerable increase in the quantity of foreign *Salt* received, but a heavy decline in the quantity from the other Divisions of the Province.

97. **TONNAGE**.—The following table gives the number of Vessels, with their tonnage, which conveyed the sea-borne merchandise of the Pegu Division during the last two years :-

PORTS.	1866-67.		1867-68.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage	Vessels.	Tonnage
RANGOON, ...	532	2,18,779	592	2,61,416
BASSEIN, ...	80	24,737	98	33,749
Total...	612	2,43,516	690	2,95,165

Exhibiting an increase of 78 ships and 51,649 tons over the 11 months of the preceding year. There is also an improvement in the capacity of each vessel, the average of 1866-67 being tons 398, and of 1867-68 tons 428.

98. **TREATY GOODS.**—Under the Treaty with the King of Burma all goods imported into Rangoon and declared through the Custom House for export to the territories of Upper Burma, and also to China, are chargeable with a duty of one per cent only. This duty is levied as an encouragement to the traders, and more for the purpose of securing an account of the value of such goods than for the revenue realized.

The undernoted Statements furnish the amounts of goods so declared during the year under review and the previous one, and exhibit a considerable increase, which is attributable to the more settled state of the country; the firm basis on which the treaty engagements are now placed; and to the reduction and regulation of Customs' dues on the Burmese side.

FOR MANDALAY.

YEARS.	Value.	Duty assessed in accordance with the Treaty with Burma.
	Rupees.	Rupees.
1866-67, ...	5,322	473
1867-68, ...	50,127	501
Increase, ..	44,805	...

FOR CHINA.

ARTICLES.	Value.	Duty.
	Rupees.	Rupees.
Silk and Cotton Handkerchiefs, ...	5,494	55
Figured Silk do. ...	280	3
Total...	5,774	58

INLAND TRADE OF PEGU.

99. The Inland Trade of this Division is carried on with Upper Burma via Thayet-myo, on the Irrawaddy, and Toung-oo, on the Sittang river—and all goods in transit are passed free of duty through the Frontier Custom Houses at these stations.

100. The value of the traffic is set forth in the following statistics :—

PLACES.		Exports	Imports.	Total.
		Rupces.	Rupces.	Rupces.
THAYET-MYO,	... { 1866-67,	64,73,319	47,01,379	111,74,698
	... { 1867-68,	138,23,069	98,09,813	236,32,912
TOUNG-OO,	... { 1866-67,	7,83,372	9,32,132	17,15,504
	... { 1867-68,	9,58,109	8,60,469	18,18,578

From which it will be observed, that whilst the trade via Thayet-myo has more than doubled, that by the Toung-oo route has not at all increased, if it be remembered that the official year of 1866-67 was only eleven months. This is attributable to the difficulties in navigating the Sittang river. The aggregate shows Rs. 254,51,490 for the past year against Rs. 128,90,202 for the anterior eleven months.

101. It may not be uninteresting to note here the progress of our inland trade since the frontier duties on the British side were removed in June 1863 :—

YEARS.			Exports.	Imports.	Total.
			Rupces.	Rupces.	Rupces.
1863-64,	...	..	63,27,788	49,61,549	112,89,337
1864-65,	...	...	88,53,465	63,66,324	152,19,789
1865-66,	...	..	83,43,990	72,55,063	155,99,053
1866-67 (11 months)	...	..	72,56,691	56,33,511	128,90,202
1867-68,	...	...	147,81,178	106,70,312	254,51,490
A gross of...			453,63,112	348,86,759	804,49,871
And an average of...			91,12,622	69,77,352	160,89,974

Comparative Statement for the last 5 years.

102. The trade during 1866-67 was affected to a great extent by the rebellion in Upper Burma, the chief falling off being in the produce of that country itself, (Imports), which would, as a matter of course, be much interfered with by the armed bands of lawless men traversing the various districts. But since the country has become more settled the trade has improved with rapid strides, and for the past 12 months the increase is, on Exports 60·97 per cent, and Imports 65·42, over the average of the last five years. This is very satisfactory, and, without doubt, further impetus will be given to the trade in the future by the reduction in the duty under the new Treaty to 5 per cent ad valorem on all goods excepting Earth Oil, Timber and Precious Stones, which are Royal monopolies.

Trade affected by the rebellion but much improved since.

103. The establishment of a Civil Court under our Political Agent for the decision of cases between British subjects, and the firmer basis secured by the revised treaty, will all tend to insure confidence and make trade more brisk—but the teeming cities of China remain to be reached and the vast inland trade of that province directed down the Irrawaddy rather than through the tempestuous seas which wash the southern coasts of Asia.

104. Under this Treaty, also, the British Government stipulates that it will not re-impose the frontier duty, abolished by the Treaty of 1862, so long as there is no increase made in the per centage leviable by the Burmese Government.

Frontier Duty.

105. By Article VIII of the Treaty under notice free trade is allowed in the Import and Export of Gold and Silver Bullion.

Free Trade in Bullion.

106. **EXPORTS.—Betel-nuts.**—In this important article there has been a net increase of mds. 9,941 but a decrease in value of Rs. 11,490. There was a falling off on the Young-oo returns of mds. 459 and Rs. 24,088, which is attributed to the market having been glutted in the previous year.

107. **Cotton, Silk and Woollen Goods.**—On the quantities and value of Cotton twist and yarn, and Cotton, Silk, and Woollen piece goods, there is a very important increase as will be seen from the following figures:—

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67.		1867-68		Increase.	
		Quantity	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Cotton Twist and Yarn,	lbs	7,68,901	6,06,068	18,54,140	14,76,960	10,85,239	8,70,892
Cotton Piece Goods,	Pieces	2,65,519	10,89,374	5,30,335	23,90,036	2,64,816	13,00,662
Silk do.	"	56,559	5,14,852	1,21,486	11,77,356	64,924	6,62,501
Woollen do.	"	27,554	1,18,356	36,668	3,40,498	9,114	2,22,142

108. **Crockery-ware**—Shows an increase of Rs. 13,912 ; those important articles of diet *Ngapee*, *dried fish, &c.*, Rs. 5,37,594, and *Salt* maunds 42,499, Rs. 15,581.

109. **Rice and Paddy.**—The revision of the tariff seems to have had considerable effect on the trade in this grain, the increment being no less than tons 79,093 value Rs. 32,24,186, thus:—

1867-68,	...	Tons	100,465	Rupees	42,29,965
1866-67,	...	"	21,372	"	10,05,779
		Increase,..	79,093	Rupees	32,24,186

110. **Raw Silk**—Exhibits an excess of Rs. 31,689 and Rs. 1,97,612 over 1866-67, and in the value of *Miscellaneous goods* there is an increase of Rs. 4,90,892.

111. *IMPORTS.*—As before stated, the increase on the aggregate of this portion of the Inland Trade Imports. has been very considerable, and the majority of articles show an improvement as follows :—

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67.		1867-68		Increase.	
		Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.
Raw Cotton,	Mds.	9,970	1,08,529	20,019	2,71,907	10,049	1,63,378
Cutch,	"	37,113	1,31,399	94,055	3,35,498	56,942	2,04,099
Dyes,	"	2,354	21,213	4,079	35,798	1,725	14,585
Earthenware,	"		23,489		34,975		11,486
Gram,	Mds.	90,706	1,50,965	147,609	2,34,253	56,903	83,288
Hardware and Cutlery,	"		13,899		21,936		8,037
Hides, Bullock and buff.	No.	27,389	7,084	64,269	15,588	36,880	8,504
Horns, do	"	1,631	184	1,811	298	180	114
Jaggery and Molasses,	Mds	107,362	3,06,921	219,790	6,33,462	112,428	3,26,541
Lacquered-ware,	"		3,28,026		4,50,314		1,22,288
Lead,	Mds.	4,401	82,842	6,827	1,40,243	2,426	57,401
Petroleum,	"	118,235	2,07,918	156,422	2,75,860	38,187	67,942
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	576,816	5,43,079	982,852	8,79,219	406,036	3,36,140
Do. Silk,	"	123,550	8,40,698	136,392	8,59,420	12,842	18,722
Ponies,	No.	888	90,730	1,318	1,22,247	430	31,517
Rough Jade Stone,	Mds	1,723	17,605	2,360	39,830	637	22,225
Sassamum Oil,	"	49,904	4,51,316	60,126	5,50,866	10,522	99,550
Stick-lac,	"	2,886	26,030	6,550	54,594	3,664	28,564
Stones, precious,	"		1,20,055		1,45,389		25,334
Sugar,	Mds			2	11	2	11
Tea, dry,	"	1,321	14,860	2,060	23,204	739	8,344
Tea, wet, pickled,	"	10,935	93,357	23,933	1,94,130	12,998	1,00,773
Tobacco,	"	2,423	9,542	4,797	18,567	2,374	9,025
Wheat,	"	26,437	69,320	28,011	76,688	1,574	7,368
All other Articles not enumerated above,			13,97,483		48,36,789		34,39,306

112. Whilst the following have experienced a slight Decrease. decrease :—

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67		1867-68.		Decrease.	
		Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.
Copper,	Mds.	1,158	28,414	709	18,989	449	9,425
Gold leaf,	"		24,015		19,617		4,398
Indigo,	Mds.	514	1,157	368	834	146	323
Metal-ware,	"		1,23,577		1,08,312		15,265
Orpiment Yellow,	Mds.	4,397	39,170	104	936	4,293	38,234
Timber,	Tons	10,130	3,60,634	7,574	2,70,568	2,556	90,066

113. From the first of these two Statements it will be seen that the undermentioned staples give the principal increase for the year under review :—

Principal items of increase.

Raw Cotton,	...	...	...	Rs.	1,63,378
Cutch,	...	...	...	"	2,04,099
Juggery and Molasses,	...	...	...	"	3,26,541
Lacquered-ware,	...	...	...	"	1,22,288
Cotton piece goods,	...	...	...	"	3,36,140
Sessamum Oil,	...	...	...	"	99,550
Tea—pickled,	...	...	...	"	1,00,773
Miscellaneous,	...	...	...	"	31,39,306

114. The Cotton piece goods imported consist of coarse stuffs worn in Upper Burma, partly from native thread, but chiefly from Cotton twist exported from British Burma.

Description of goods imported

115. The increase in *Miscellaneous* is accounted for by the quantity of Treasure sent down, the import of Silver alone being of the value of Rs. 10,31,000.

Miscellaneous

116. The decrease in the quantity of *Timber* imported appears to have been caused by some misunderstanding with the Burmese Government in the working of the Nin-gyan forests.

Timber.

117. There was a considerable falling off in the value of *Lacquered-ware* via Toung-oo, owing to the disturbances in the Shan country.

Lacquered ware.

TENASSERIM.

118. The commerce of Tenasserim appears to be on the decline, for although there is an apparent increase in Exports of Rs. 3,03,665 and Imports Rs. 3,94,637 during the year under review, there is

Decline in trade.

really a falling off in comparison with the 11 months of 1866-67. The aggregate of Imports and Exports for the last named period was Rs. 131,90,747 which equalled Rs. 11,99,159 per month, and for the twelve months of 1867-68 Rs. 138,89,043 or an average of Rs. 11,57,420 only per month.

119. EXPORTS.—The following Statement shows this portion of the trade of this Division with the increase and decrease as compared with the preceding official year:—

ARTICLES	Unit.	1866-67		1867-68		Increase.		Decrease.	
		Quantity	Value Rupees.	Quantity	Value Rupees	Quantity	Value Rupees.	Quantity	Value Rupees.
Copper,	Mds.	70	7,918	184	4,772	114			3,146
Cotton, raw,	"	3,055	45,831	2,320	12,654			735	33,177
Cutch,	"	1,019	4,940	322	2,243			697	2,697
Hides,	No	787	2,016	1,982	2,054	1,195	38		
Horns,	"	9,783	2,165	6,360	2,653		488	3,423	
Ivory,	Mds.	10	1,858	9	2,491		633	1	
Lead,	"	5	450	118	2,965	113	2,515		
Orpiment, Yellow,	"	1	20	151	3,800	150	3,780		
Petroleum,	"	945	4,693	399	1,872			546	2,821
Rice and Paddy,	Tons	32,162	14,63,206	27,739	11,64,567			4,423	2,98,639
Stones, precious,	"		500						500
Stick-lac,	Mds.	638	5,133	199	2,121			439	3,012
Timber,	Tons.	48,403	30,91,386	62,471	35,74,620	11,068	4,83,234		
Tobacco,	Mds	4,522	61,766	12,234	66,934	7,712	5,168		
Treasure—Government			3,46,000		99,000				2,47,000
Do. Private Parties,			3,04,690		1,64,791				1,39,899
All other goods not enumerated above			11,83,244		17,21,944		5,38,700		
Total			65,25,816		68,29,481		10,34,556		7,30,891

120. It will be noticed, with satisfaction, that there has been a considerable increase in the chief staple of Export—*Timber*—which is attributed to a general improvement in the trade and larger demands from Indian and Provincial ports.

121. The increment in the value of *Sundries* is also satisfactory, and *Lead* and *Orpiment yellow* have been added to considerably.

122. The most prominent decrease is that in *Rice* and *Paddy*, tons 4,423, Rs. 2,98,639, which may in some measure be ascribable to the enhanced rate of duty, but is mainly owing to the abatement in the demand. In 1866-67 heavy shipments were made on account of Government to Orissa, in consequence of the famine there, which terminated early in the year under notice.

123. The falling off in the exportation of *Treasure* by private parties is doubtless imputable to the dullness of trade; and in *Cotton* to the prices in the European markets for the Indian staple being less remunerative.

124. IMPORTS.—The undernoted Comparative Return exhibits the state of the Import trade for the last two years :—

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67.		1867-68.		Increase.		Decrease.	
		Quantity	Value. Rupees.	Quantity	Value. Rupees.	Quantity	Value. Rupees.	Quantity	Value. Rupees.
Betel-nuts,	Mds.	21,488	1,29,946	28,535	1,66,604	7,047	36,658		
Cotton Twist and Yarn,	lbs.	2,34,810	3,28,573	3,40,151	4,00,561	1,05,341	71,988		
Crockery,			38,613		28,158				10,455
Cutlery,			1,39,083		92,436				46,647
Gunny bags,	No.	2,81,645	91,489	91,595	26,913			1,90,050	64,576
Hardware,			38,852		26,203				12,649
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	2,18,240	10,53,513	2,87,907	12,67,690	69,667	2,14,177		
Do. Silk,	"	32,801	3,12,780	47,401	4,03,825	14,680	91,045		
Do. Woollens, ..	"	5,771	1,65,414	7,489	2,36,760	1,718	71,346		
Silk, raw,	lbs.	6,079	34,740	8,060	43,264	1,981	8,524		
Spirituuous Liquors,	Galls.	5,393	48,510	4,869	36,993			524	11,517
Wines, Beer, &c.,	"	20,846	68,283	20,662	63,362			484	4,912
Sugar,	Mds.	7,639	80,753	4,663	51,784			2,976	28,969
Timber,	Tons	5	640	4	791		151	1	
Tobacco,	Mds.	36,356	3,74,203	24,239	2,88,459			12,117	85,744
Treasure—Government,			2,22,000		1,90,400				31,600
Do. Private Parties,			15,06,877		16,73,476		1,66,599		
All other Articles not enumerated above, }			20,30,656		20,61,883		31,227		
Total			66,64,925		70,59,562		6,91,715		2,97,078

125. From the foregoing it will be seen that *Cotton*
Twist and Yarn, and *Cotton, Silk and Wool-*
len piece goods furnish the largest proportion
 of the increase shown, and these valuable additions together
 with those in *Betel-nut* and *Raw Silk* are attributable to the
 brisker trade in Timber which prevailed. The amount of
Specie imported also increased, and was no doubt chiefly
 appropriated to the purchase of Teak.

126. The decrease in *Gunny bags* is of course owing
 to the falling off in the shipments of Rice;
 and that in *Tobacco* to the large importation
 which took place in 1866-67, resulting in heavy stocks at the
 commencement of the past year.

127. The Customs' Revenue of the Division is in excess
 of the previous year by Rs. 33,339, of which
 Rs. 28,709 were realized in Maulmain, and
 the remainder in Tavoy and Mergui.

X A.

Statement showing the Principal Articles of Export entered at the Sea Custom Houses of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

ARTICLES	Unit of weight or Number	EXPORTS, BY SEA.							
		ARAKAN DIVISION.							
		To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding Straits, Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India but including Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territory of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Island and dependencies.		Total.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
Copper,	Mds.	9	194	—	—	—	—	9	194
Cotton, raw,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cutch,	"	5,110	35,265	—	—	—	—	5,110	35,265
Hides,	No.	3,003	2,930	440	650	50	50	3,493	3,630
Horns,	"	15,985	6,680	—	—	793	265	16,778	6,945
Ivory,	Mds.	16	970	—	—	2	100	18	1,070
Jade Stone,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lead,	"	—	—	—	—	5	70	5	70
Orpiment, Yellow,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Petroleum,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rice and Paddy,	Tons	13,272	2,93,217	84,604	36,69,743	—	—	1,97,876	39,62,961
Stones, Precious,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stick-lac,	Mds.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Timber,	Tons	1,093	67,538	—	—	41	1,960	1,134	69,498
Tobacco,	Mds.	672	4,253	—	—	2,031	16,840	2,703	21,093
Treasure,									
A for Government,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	1,25,000	—	1,25,000
B for Private Parties,	"	—	2,69,941	—	—	—	42,500	—	3,12,441
All other goods not enumerated above,	"	—	82,761	—	1,980	—	79,128	—	1,63,869
Total Value Rupees.			7,63,749		36,72,373		2,65,914		47,02,036

Statement showing the Principal Articles of Export entered at the Sea Customs

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
			PEGU DIVISION.							
			To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territory of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies.		Total.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Copper,	Mds.	819	21,228	—	—	4	225	823	21,
2	Cotton raw,	"	1,128	13,893	32,776	5,68,875	167	791	34,071	5,83,
3	Cutch,	"	41,641	3,66,061	1,05,436	8,40,336	771	6,572	1,50,848	12,12,
4	Hides,	No.	1,959	2,219	1,01,594	1,09,518	9,454	6,659	1,13,007	1,18,
5	Horns,	"	—	—	46,223	13,501	—	—	46,223	13,
6	Ivory,	Mds	164	42,930	26	7,060	11	2,500	201	52,
7	Jade Stone,	"	10	4,000	4,285	3,57,050	30	3,000	4,355	3,64,
8	Lead,	"	5,760	55,183	881	8,000	115	1,172	6,756	64,
9	Orpiment, Yellow,	"	807	20,150	—	—	—	—	807	20,
10	Petroleum,	"	4,820	13,207	1,312	3,388	7,981	22,293	14,113	38,
11	Rice and Paddy,	Tons	32,017	16,72,841	1,67,920	80,96,623	365	17,228	2,00,302	97,86,
12	Stones, Precious,	Rs.	—	2,19,910	—	3,700	—	4,800	—	2,28,
13	Stick-lac,	Mds.	2,173	20,555	743	8,727	55	454	2,971	29,
14	Timber,	Tons	12,757	6,90,821	3,496	1,98,126	1,120	59,881	17,473	9,48,
15	Tobacco,	Mds	1,883	19,651	280	6,006	4,025	44,749	6,198	70,
16	Treasure,									
	A for Government,	Rs	—	—	—	—	—	60,000	—	60,
	B for Private Parties,	"	—	25,81,185	—	1,71,128	—	15,23,876	—	42,70,
17	All other goods not enumerated above,	"	—	7,86,720	—	3,42,173	—	22,64,362	—	33,93,
Total Value Rupees				65,30,884		107,34,211		40,18,562		212,83,

—(Concluded.)

uses of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.								Grand Total in Quantity and Value.	
		TENASSERIM DIVISION.									
		To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India but excluding the Straits, Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territory of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies.		Total.			
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.		
Opium, ...	Mds.	411	3,112	—	—	73	1,660	184	4,772	1,016	26,419
Tea, raw, ...	"	89	501	—	—	2,230	12,153	2,320	12,654	36,391	5,96,213
Tea, ...	"	222	2,145	—	—	11	98	322	2,243	156,280	12,50,477
Opium, ...	No.	200	50	965	1,440	817	564	1,982	2,054	118,482	1,24,110
Opium, ...	"	—	—	6,245	2,613	115	40	6,360	2,653	60,361	23,099
Opium, ...	Mds.	1	1,284	2	230	3	97	9	2,491	228	56,051
Opium Stone, ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,355	3,61,050
Opium, ...	"	96	2,632	1	6	21	307	118	2,965	6,879	67,690
Opium, Yellow, ...	"	151	3,800	—	—	—	—	151	3,800	954	23,930
Opium, ...	"	349	1,535	16	55	31	982	396	1,872	14,512	10,760
Opium and Paddy, ...	Tons	10,792	3,63,443	16,278	7,56,500	669	44,618	27,739	11,54,567	825,917	19,11,220
Opium, Precious, ...	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,28,410
Opium-lac, ...	Mds.	60	438	44	512	96	1,171	196	2,121	3,170	31,557
Opium, ...	Tons	44,622	21,31,347	14,657	9,44,489	3,192	1,98,784	62,471	3,71,620	81,078	15,92,946
Opium, ...	Mds.	112	5,605	385	7,895	11,797	53,134	12,234	66,934	21,135	1,58,433
Opium, ...	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	99,000	—	99,000	—	2,81,000
Opium for Private Parties, ...	"	—	5,000	—	1,01,029	—	55,762	—	61,791	—	47,53,421
Opium other goods not enumerated above, ...	"	—	2,19,334	—	70,698	—	14,31,912	—	17,21,944	—	52,79,068
		30,40,246		18,88,403		19,00,742		68,29,481		428,15,171	

Statement showing the Principal Articles of Import entered at the Sea Coast

Numbers.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number	IMPORTS BY SEA.							
			ARAKAN DIVISION.							
			From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding Straits, Aden and Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including Straits and Aden.		From Ports within the Territory of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
			Quantity.	Value Rs.	Quantity.	Value Rs.	Quantity.	Value Rs.	Quantity.	Value Rs.
1	Betel-nut,	Mds.	20,077	1,39,082	13	180	40	320	20,130	1,39
2	Cotton Twist and Yarn,	lbs.	2,89,366	5,10,850			1,600	2,640	2,90,966	5,13
3	Cheekers,	No		14,972		28		2,448		17
4	Cutlery,	"	—	2,700	—	15	—	2,520	—	5
5	Gunny bags,	"	11,44,969	3,45,544	—	—	—	—	11,44,969	3,45
6	Hardware,	"	—	10,318	—	759	—	586	—	11
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	2,08,473	7,09,619	32	61	13,483	35,536	2,21,988	7,45
8	Do Silk,	"	32,866	81,335	—	—	8,613	8,664	41,479	89
9	Do. Woollen	"	1,376	1,11,619	—	—	34	3,480	1,410	1,15
10	Silk, raw,	lbs.	100	800	—	—	—	—	100	
11	Spirituons Liquors,	Galls	915	7,815	220	1,712	4,550	31,333	5,685	40
12	Sugar,	Mds	1,814	23,750	—	—	10	100	1,824	23
13	Timber,	Tons	31	1,900	234	6,886	562	34,810	830	43
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	15,245	1,21,711	—	—	—	—	15,245	1,21
15	Treasure,									
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	24,999	—	—	—	1,24,991	—	1,49
	B for Private Parties,	"	—	38,49,688	—	—	—	1,000	—	38,51
16	Wines, Beer, &c,	Galls	6,269	30,448	4,670	16,770	1,446	5,656	12,485	52
17	All other Articles not enumerated above,	Value	—	7,33,202	—	59,831	—	2,31,743	—	10,24
	Grand Total Rupees			67,20,352		86,242		4,86,427		72,93

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Imports of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.							
		PEGU DIVISION.							
		From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including Straits and Aden.		From Ports within the Territory of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies.		Total.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value Rs.
Betel-nut, . . .	Mds.	82,771	8,50,261	36,350	1,83,431	9,314	63,001	1 28,435	10,96,093
Cotton Twist & Yarn	lbs.	10,24,250	10,76,987	16,08,660	18,52,013	29,385	32,852	26,62,295	29,61,852
Rockery, . . .	No.	—	6,773	—	1,06,909	—	812	—	1,14,494
Cutlery, . . .	"	—	1,07,107	—	3,697	—	1,600	—	1,12,404
Gunny bags, . . .	"	22,33,105	6,76,666	33,825	9,455	73,032	29,910	23,49,962	7,16,061
Hardware, . . .	"	—	1,30,341	—	43,025	—	4,133	—	1,77,499
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	4,54,008	26,37,352	7,05,882	18,76,842	26,376	1,52,872	11,86,266	46,67,066
Do. Silk, . . .	"	1,98,570	12,54,644	1,70,261	8,55,348	7,393	65,665	3,76,232	21,75,657
Do. Woollen . . .	"	18,526	6,99,161	17,472	1,78,254	455	54,546	* 36,453	9,31,963
Silk, raw, . . .	lbs.	36,356	3,02,660	19,537	1,35,636	3,611	17,512	60,134	11,55,810
Spirituous Liquors,	Galls.	11,881	79,880	47,547	2,91,407	60	696	59,458	3,71,983
Sugar, . . .	Mds.	8,873	1,21,627	10,858	93,356	10,693	63,315	30,424	2,78,328
Ember, . . .	Tons	—	—	39	1,595	2,853	1,54,570	2,892	1,56,165
Tobacco, . . .	Mds.	85,725	9,89,471	481	21,282	4,630	58,974	90,848	10,69,727
Treasure, . . .									
▲ for Government,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
■ for Private Parties	"	—	38,74,104	—	5,43,818	—	68,360	—	44,86,282
Wines, Beer, &c., . . .	Galls.	23,352	84,805	3,17,091	5,88,225	864	3,718	3,41,307	6,76,748
All other Articles not enumerated above, . . .	Value	—	25,64,897	—	32,82,147	—	5,94,680	—	64,41,924
Grand Total Rs. . .			154,56,738		100,66,442		13,67,448		268,90,628

Statement showing the Principal Articles of Import entered at the Sea Customs

Numbers.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.			
			TRINASSERIM DIVISION.			
			From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, including Straits Aden.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Betel-nut,	Mds.	8,016	64,788	19,416	95,
2	Cotton Twist and Yarn, ..	lbs.	1,41,828	1,39,572	57,189	67,
3	Crockery,	No.	—	4,072	—	7,
4	Cutlery, ..	..	—	84,254	—	1,
5	Gunny Bags, ..	..	28,152	7,919	6,550	1,
6	Hardware,	..	—	9,728	—	7,
7	Piece Goods, Cotton, ..	Pieces	1,00,946	5,15,167	49,251	1,23,
8	Do. Silk, ..	..	15,729	99,456	8,026	65,
9	Do. Woollen, ..	..	3,769	86,750	1,710	67,
10	Silk, raw, ..	lbs.	—	—	640	3,
11	Spirituuous Liquors,	Galls	190	2,026	2,370½	15,
12	Sugar, ..	Mds.	3,116½	37,299	1,112½	10,
13	Timber, ..	Tons	—	—	—	—
14	Tobacco, ..	Mds.	17,803	2,01,237	182	8,
15	Treasure,					
	A for Government, ..	Rs.	—	25,000	—	—
	B for Private Parties, ..	..	—	2,52,980	—	2,33,
16	Wines, Beer, &c., ..	Galls	1,248	6,947	11,732	34,
17	All other Articles not enumerated above, ..	Value	—	6,47,151	—	4,04,
Grand Total Rs				21,84,346		11,40,

(Concluded.)

Uses of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.				Grand Total Value of Imports.	
		TENASSERIM DIVISION.					
		From Ports within the Territory of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies.		Total.			
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
betel-nut, ...	Mds.	1,073	6,223	28,535	1,66,604	1,77,100	14,02,879
cotton Twist and Yarn, ...	lbs.	1,41,134	1,93,188	3,40,151	4,00,561	32,93,412	38,75,903
rockery, ...	No.	—	16,544	—	28,158	—	1,60,100
cutlery, ...	..	—	6,687	—	92,436	—	2,10,075
funny bags, ...	..	56,893	17,684	91,595	26,913	35,86,526	10,88,488
hardware, ...	..	—	8,857	—	26,203	—	2,15,365
piece Goods, Cotton, ...	Pieces	1,37,710	6,28,923	2,87,907	12,67,690	16,96,161	66,79,972
Do. Silk, ...	..	23,646	2,39,120	47,401	4,03,825	4,65,112	26,69,481
Do. Woollen, ...	..	2,010	82,729	7,489	2,36,760	45,352	12,83,822
silk, raw, ...	lbs.	7,418	39,388	8,060	43,264	68,294	4,90,874
spirited Liquors, ...	Galls.	2,308	19,026	4,869	36,993	70,042	4,49,836
sugar, ...	Mds.	434½	4,358	4,663	51,784	36,911	3,53,962
timber, ...	Tons	4	791	4	791	3,722	2,00,552
tobacco, ...	Mds.	6,254	78,478	24,239	2,88,459	1,30,333	14,79,897
treasure, ...							
for Government, ...	Rs.	—	1,65,400	—	1,90,400	—	3,40,390
for Private Parties, ...	..	—	11,86,728	—	16,73,476	—	100,11,046
Wines, Beer, &c., ...	Galls.	7,682	21,630	20,662	63,362	3,74,454	7,92,984
All other Articles not enumerated above, ...	Value	—	10,10,014	—	20,61,883	—	95,28,583
Grand Total Rs.			37,25,768		70,59,562		412,43,209

*Statement showing the Principal Articles of Export and Import entered at the Inland Cus
ending 31st March 18*

EXPORTS BY LAND (RIVER INCLUDED) BEYOND FRONTIER.				
No.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	Quantity.	Value Rs.
1	Betel-nut, .. .	Maunds,	43,949	4,38,5
2	Cotton Twist and Yarn, ...	lbs.	18,54,140	14,76,6
3	Crockeryware, .. .	No.	—	1,02,1
4	Ngapie, dried fish, &c., ...	Maunds,	4,21,394	20,01,7
5	Piece Goods, Cotton, ...	Pieces,	5,30,325	23,90,0
6	Do. Silk, ...	„	1,21,483	11,77,3
7	Do. Woollen, ...	„	36,668	3,40,-
8	Rice and Paddy, ...	Tons, .	1,00,465	42,29,4
9	Salt, ...	Maunds,	2,74,691	5,35,3
10	Silk, raw, ...	lbs.	95,817	6,41,0
11	All other Articles not enumerated above, .. .	Rupees,	—	14,47,3
Total Rupees..				147,81,

3.—(Concluded.)

houses in the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the official year 1867-68, including fractions.

IMPORTS BY LAND (RIVER INCLUDED) FROM BEYOND FRONTIER.				GRAND TOTAL.
ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Value Exports and Imports. Rs.
Copper,	Maunds,	709	18,939	
Cotton, raw,	"	20,019	2,71,907	
Cutch,	"	91,055	3,35,498	
Dyes,	"	1,079	35,798	
Earthen-ware,	No.	—	31,975	
Gold leaf,	Packets,	15,776	19,617	
Gram,	Maunds,	1,47,609	2,31,253	
Hardware and Cutlery,	No.	—	21,956	
Hides, Bullock and Buffalo,	"	64,269	15,588	
Horns,	"	1,811	298	
Indigo,	Maunds,	368	831	
Jaggery and Molasses,	lbs.	2,19,790	6,33,462	
Lacquered-ware,	No.	—	4,50,314	
Lead,	Maunds,	6,827	1,10,243	
Metal-ware,	No.	—	1,08,312	
Orpiment, Yellow,	Maunds,	104	936	
Petroleum,	"	1,56,122	2,75,860	
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces,	9,82,852	8,79,219	
Do. Silk,	"	1,36,392	8,59,420	
Ponies,	No.	1,318	1,22,247	
Rough Jade Stone,	"	2,360	39,830	
Sesamum Oil,	Maunds,	60,426	5,50,866	
Stick-lac,	"	6,550	54,591	
Stones, precious,	Rupees,	—	1,45,389	
Sugar,	Maunds,	2	11	
Tea, dry,	"	2,060	23,204	
Tea, wet, (pickled)	"	24,933	1,94,130	
Timber,	Tons.	7,574	2,70,568	
Tobacco,	Maunds,	4,797	18,567	
Wheat,	"	28,011	76,688	
All other Articles not enumerated above,	Rupees,	—	48,36,789	
Grand Total			1,06,70,312	2,54,51,490

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Abstract Statement of the value of Exports and Imports by Sea and Land from and to the Customs chargeable thereon

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden, and the Ports of British Burma.		To and from Foreign External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.	
		Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.
ARAKAN.	AKYAB,	7,57,614	67,14,272	36,72,373	86,
	KYOK-PHYOO,	6,135	6,080	—	—
	TOTAL BY SEA	7,63,749	67,20,352	36,72,373	86,
PEGU.	BANGOON,	64,73,381	153,62,211	92,41,107	100,38,
	BASSEIN,	57,503	91,492	14,93,104	27,
	TOTAL BY SEA	65,30,884	154,53,703	107,34,211	100,66,
PEGU.	THAYMYMYO,	—	—	—	—
	TOUNGGOO,	—	—	—	—
	TOTAL BY LAND	—	—	—	—
TENASSERIM.	TOTAL OF PEGU	65,30,884	154,53,703	107,34,211	100,66,
	MAULMAIN,	30,38,746	21,84,196	17,17,321	9,29,
	TAVOY,	—	150	1,30,330	1,71,
TENASSERIM.	MERGUI,	1,500	—	40,833	48,
	TOTAL BY SEA	30,40,246	21,84,346	18,88,493	11,49,
	GRAND TOTAL OF THE PROVINCE BY LAND AND SEA,	103,34,879	243,61,434	162,95,077	113,02,

uses of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or tting fractions.,

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Ports with- in the Territory of Bri- tish Burma, including the Ports of the Anda- man Islands and depen- dencies.		Total.	
	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.
AKYAB, ...	1,29,672	4,79,536	45,59,659	72,86,058
KYOLK-PHYOO, ...	1,36,242	6,891	1,42,377	12,971
TOTAL BY SEA	2,65,914	4,86,427	47,02,036	72,93,021
RANGOON, ...	39,94,488	12,83,152	197,08,976	266,81,740
DANSEIN, ...	24,074	84,296	15,74,681	2,05,886
TOTAL BY SEA	40,18,562	13,67,448	212,83,657	268,90,626
THANETUNO, ...	—	—	138,23,069	98,00,843
TOUNG OO, ...	—	—	9,58,109	8,60,469
TOTAL BY LAND	—	—	147,81,178	106,70,312
TOTAL OF PEGU	40,18,562	13,67,448	360,64,835	375,60,938
MAULMAIN, ...	12,87,659	32,38,373	60,43,726	63,52,173
TAVOY, ...	3,07,066	2,18,917	4,37,405	3,90,895
MERGUT, ...	3,06,017	2,68,478	3,48,350	3,16,494
TOTAL BY SEA	19,00,742	37,25,768	68,29,481	70,59,562
GRAND TOTAL OF THE PROVINCE BY LAND AND SEA,	61,85,218	55,79,643	475,96,352	519,13,521

Abstract Statement of the value of Exports and Imports by Sea and Land from and to the Customs chargeable thereon.

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	Total Value for each Custom House.	Amount Duty realized.	Total Value in previous year.	Total in previous year.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
ARAKAN.	AKYAB, ...	118,39,709	4,37,129	104,82,481	2,9
	KYODUK-PHYOO, ...	1,55,348	—	79,628	—
	TOTAL BY SEA.	119,95,057	4,37,129	105,62,109	2,9
PEGU.	PANGOON, ...	463,93,716	12,25,288	408,53,905	6,8
	BASSEIN, ...	17,80,567	1,82,757	14,97,602	9
	TOTAL BY SEA.	481,74,283	14,08,045	423,51,507	7,8
	THAYET-MYO, ...	236,32,912	—	111,74,698	—
	TOUNG-OO, ...	18,18,578	—	17,15,504	—
TENASSERIM.	TOTAL BY LAND...	254,51,490	—	128,90,202	—
	TOTAL OF PEGU...	736,25,773	14,08,045	552,41,709	7,8
	MAUTMAIN, ...	123,95,899	1,19,315	116,03,876	9
	TAVOY, ...	8,28,300	22,262	10,23,283	11
	MERGUI, ...	6,64,844	4,988	5,63,583	;
TENASSERIM.	TOTAL BY SEA.	138,89,043	1,46,565	131,90,742	1,1
GRAND TOTAL OF THE PROVINCE BY LAND AND SEA, ...		995,09,873	19,91,739	789,94,500	11,8

(concluded).

Imports of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or owing fractions.

IMPORTS ON ACCOUNT OF GOVERNMENT.				
ARTICLES.	ARAKAN DIVISION.	PEGU DIVISION.	TENASSERIM DIVISION.	TOTAL FOR BRITISH BURMA.
Agricultural Implements, ..	74	—	—	74
Res for Customs Department, ...	9,382	1,72,706	—	1,82,088
Amusement Stores, ..	—	3,07,840	—	3,07,840
Engineering do. ..	—	17,000	67,900	84,900
Chumry, ...	458	450	16	924
Time Stores, ...	—	7,543	1,037	8,640
Stationary do. ..	—	—	1,300	3,512
Medical do. ..	2,212	—	—	—
Gun, ..	18,270	1,62,000	2,03,940	3,83,310
House and Police Stores, ..	20,453	8,690	2,124	31,267
Stationery, ..	7,945	7,212	29,213	44,370
Maps, ..	27,612	—	—	27,612
Geograph Stores, ..	8,099	64,960	—	73,059
Libraries, ..	—	—	—	—
Assess, ..	1,49,990	—	1,90,400	3,40,390
Finance Stores, ..	—	840	—	840
Printing Materials, ..	—	—	—	—
Res for Survey Department, ...	100	—	—	100
Total..	2,41,595	7,49,241	4,95,090	14,88,926

RECEIPTS NOT INCLUDED IN THE AMOUNT OF DUTY.

Amount of Confiscations, ...	—	3,721	—	3,721
Do. Fees, ..	5	80	—	85
Do. Fines, ..	2	3,281	283	3,566
Do. Bonded Warehouse Rent, ...	—	3,483	591	4,074
Do. Wharf Godown Rent, ..	—	2,364	—	2,364
Do. Sales, ...	—	—	—	—
Do. Miscellaneous, ..	3	483	—	486
Go Boat Licenses, ..	171	—	—	171
Registration of Licenses, ...	57	—	—	57
Total Rupees..	238	13,412	874	14,524

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the Port

DIVISION.	NUMBER.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India but including Straits and Aden.					
			United Kingdom.		Foreign Europe.		Straits' Settlements	
			Quantity Tons.	Value Rs.	Quantity Tons.	Value Rs.	Quantity Tons.	Value Rs.
PEGU.	1	RANGOON.	1,15,733	58,34,162	4,727	2,32,680	6,591	3,2
	2		1,915	52,740			130	
	3		1,767	1,10,648	8	480	269	1
	1	BASSEIN.	55,164	11,85,031			170	
	2							
	3							
	1	TOTAL BY SEA.	1,50,897	73,19,193	4,727	2,32,680	6,761	3,3
	2		1,915	52,742			130	
	3		1,767	1,10,648	8	480	269	1
	1	THONG-MAO.						
	2							
	1	TOUNG-OO.						
	2							
TENASSERIM.	1	TOTAL BY LAND.						
	2							
	3							
	1	TOTAL PEGU DIVISION.	1,50,897	73,19,193	4,727	2,32,680	6,761	3,3
	2		1,915	52,740			130	
	3		1,767	1,10,648	8	480	269	1
	1	MAUTMAH.	3,517	1,67,445	773	51,976	4,661	1,5
	2						27	
	3		12,634	8,11,109	976	68,397	23	
	1	TAVOY.					2,000	7
	2						66	
	3							
	1	MERGUL.					666	2
	2						15	
	3							
ARAKAN.	1	TOTAL TENASSERIM DIVISION.	3,517	1,67,445	773	51,976	7,327	2,9
	2						108	
	3		12,634	8,11,409	976	68,397	23	
	1	AKYAB.	78,212	33,90,076	5,348	2,42,463		
	2							
	3							
	1	KYOUK PHYOO.						
	2							
	3							
	1	TOTAL OF ARAKAN.	78,212	33,90,076	5,348	2,42,463		
	2							
	3							
	1	TOTAL FOR BRITISH BURMA.	2,32,626	108,76,514	10,848	5,27,119	14,088	6,2
	2		1,915	52,742			238	
	3		14,401	9,22,057	984	68,877	292	1

several Divisions of the Province of British Burma, during the year 1867,68, excluding fractions.

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.			To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India but including Straits and Aden.		To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India but excluding the Straits, Aden, and the Ports of British Burma.		To Ports within the Territory of British Burma including the Ports of the Andaman and their dependencies.	
			To all other Foreign Ports.					
			Quantity Tons.	Value. Rs.	Quantity Tons.	Value. Rs.	Quantity. Tons.	Value. Rs.
RANGOON,	Rice,	...	2,068	1,10,194	21,697	13,60,348	364	17,153
	Paddy,	...	1,422	44,436	8,494	2,62,273	1	75
	Timber,	...	1,452	73,423	12,720	6,89,071	1,207	59,116
BASSLIN,	Rice,	...			222	7,811		
	Paddy,	...			1,604	42,499		
	Timber,	...			37	1,750	13	766
TOTAL BY SEA,	Rice,	...	2,068	1,10,194	21,919	13,61,159	364	17,153
	Paddy,	...	1,422	44,436	10,098	3,04,532	1	75
	Timber,	...	1,452	73,423	12,757	6,90,821	1,229	59,881
THAYET-MYO,	Rice,	...						
	Paddy,	...						
TOUNG-OO,	Rice,	...						
	Paddy,	...						
TOTAL BY LAND,	Rice,	...						
	Paddy,	...						
TOTAL PEGU DIVISION,	Rice,	...	2,068	1,10,194	21,919	13,68,159	364	17,153
	Paddy,	...	1,422	44,436	10,098	3,04,682	1	75
	Timber,	...	1,452	73,423	12,757	6,90,821	1,220	59,881
MAULMAIN,	Rice,	...	2,001	1,57,352	2,870	1,33,555	591	41,702
	Paddy,	...	1,013	31,238	7,981	2,36,888		
	Timber,	...	1,022	63,301	44,622	24,31,347	2,976	1,87,148
TAVOY,	Rice,	...	1,538	54,683			7	492
	Paddy,	...						
	Timber,	...					206	11,415
MERGUL,	Rice,	...					59	2,176
	Paddy,	...					11	248
	Timber,	...					91	191
TOTAL TENASSERIM DIVISION,	Rice,	...	3,539	2,12,035	2,870	1,33,555	657	41,370
	Paddy,	...	1,013	31,238	7,981	2,36,888	11	248
	Timber,	...	1,022	63,301	44,622	24,31,347	3,191	1,98,784
AKYAB,	Rice and Paddy,	...	1,044	37,204	13,077	2,87,082		1
	Timber,	...			1,093	67,538		
KYOUK-PHYOO,	Rice,	...						
	Paddy,	...			195	6,135		
	Timber,	...					41	1,960
TOTAL OF ARAKAN,	Rice and Paddy,	...	1,044	37,204	13,272	2,93,217		1
	Timber,	...			1,093	67,538	41	1,960
TOTAL FOR BRITISH BURMA,	Rice,	...	6,651	3,59,433	38,061	17,97,931	1,921	61,524
	Paddy,	...	2,435	75,674	18,079	5,31,570	12	323
	Timber,	...	2,474	1,36,724	58,472	31,89,790	4,452	2,60,625

Z. (Concluded)

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the Ports of the several Divisions of the Province of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

DIVISION.	NUMBER.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES	Total by Sea to all Ports		Total by Land		Total Quantity of Grain and Timber,	Total of Grain and Timber,
			Quantity Tons.	Value Rs.	Quantity Tons	Value Rs.	Tons	Rup.
PEGU.	1	RANGOON, {	1,51,180	78,80,299	..	..	1,51,180	78,80,299
	2		11,962	3,63,747	..	..	11,962	3,63,747
	3		17,423	9,46,312	..	..	17,423	9,46,312
	1	BASSEIN, {	35,556	15,00,237	..	..	35,556	15,00,237
	2		1,604	42,409	..	..	1,604	42,409
	3		50	4,516	..	..	50	4,516
	1	TOTAL BY SEA, {	1,86,736	93,80,536	..	..	1,86,736	93,80,536
	2		13,566	4,06,156	..	..	13,566	4,06,156
	3		17,473	9,48,828	..	..	17,473	9,48,828
	1	THAYET-MYO, {	..	..	17,846	13,00,398	17,846	13,00,398
	2		..	..	82,364	29,18,599	82,364	29,18,599
	3		..	..	43	3,598	43	3,598
	1	TOUNG-OO, {	..	..	212	7,370	212	7,370
	2		..	..	..	..	..	..
	3		..	..	..	..	..	..
	1	TOTAL BY LAND, {	..	..	17,889	13,03,996	17,889	13,03,996
	2		..	..	82,576	29,25,969	82,576	29,25,969
	3		..	..	..	..	..	..
	1	TOTAL PEGU DIVISION, {	1,86,736	93,80,536	17,889	13,03,996	2,04,625	106,84,592
	2		13,566	4,06,156	82,576	29,25,969	96,142	33,32,165
	3		17,473	9,48,828	..	..	17,473	9,48,828
TENASSERIM.	1	MAULMAIN, {	14,414	5,73,797	..	..	14,414	5,73,797
	2		8,962	2,58,693	..	..	8,962	2,58,693
	3		62,255	35,62,984	..	..	62,255	35,62,984
	1	TAVOY, {	3,545	1,26,559	..	..	3,545	1,26,559
	2		66	1,380	..	..	66	1,380
	3		206	11,445	..	..	206	11,445
	1	MERGOL, {	726	23,631	..	..	726	23,631
	2		26	508	..	..	26	508
	3		9	191	..	..	9	191
	1	TOTAL TENASSERIM DIVISION, {	18,685	9,03,985	..	..	18,685	9,03,985
	2		9,050	2,60,581	..	..	9,050	2,60,581
	3		62,470	35,74,620	..	..	62,470	35,74,620
ARAKAN.	1	AKYAB, {	97,681	39,56,826	..	..	97,681	39,56,826
	2		1,093	67,538	..	..	1,093	67,538
	3		..	..	..	..	..	..
	1	KYAUKE-PHYOO, {	..	..	..	..	..	..
	2		195	6,135	..	..	195	6,135
	3		41	1,960	..	..	41	1,960
	1	TOTAL OF ARAKAN, {	97,876	39,62,961	..	..	97,876	39,62,961
	2		1,134	69,498	..	..	1,134	69,498
	3		..	..	..	..	..	..
	1	TOTAL FOR BRITISH BURMA, {	3,03,207	142,47,482	17,889	13,03,996	3,21,186	155,51,583
	2		22,616	6,66,737	82,576	29,25,969	1,05,192	33,32,165
	3		81,077	45,92,946	..	..	81,077	45,92,946

to be levied on Articles below enumerated under the operation of the orders of Government contained in Act XVII of 1867.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	REMARKS.
NAMES OF ARTICLES.	Unit of quantity.	Quantity Imported in 1866-67.	(Old rate of valuation in 1866-67.	Amount Duty actually realized in 1866-67.	Quantity Imported in 1867-68	Amount Duty actually realized in 1867-68.	New rate in 1867-68.	Date the new rate took effect.	Actual Increase or Decrease of Duty in 1867-68 as compared with column 5.	Net Increase or decrease of valuation.	
Betel-nut,	Cwt.	17,390	(@ Rs. 15 / @ 4-8 per cwt.)	5,871 8	26,674	13,763 6	(@ Rs. 18 / & 7 per cwt.)	8th Mar 1867	7,891 14	7,891 14	
Cotton—thread in reel, GUMS.	Lbs.	3,954	(@ Rs. 2-4 / per gross)	268 8	3,833	300 13	(@ Rs. 2-8 / per gross.)	Do.	32 5	32 5	
Benjamin,	Cwt.	14	(@ Rs. 25 / per cwt.)	27 3	23	57 9	(@ Rs. 33 / per cwt.)	Do.	20 6	20 6	
Rosin,	"	1	(@ Rs. 5 / per cwt.)	— 6	82	49 12	(@ Rs. 8 / per cwt.)	Do.	45 6	49 6	
Hides—tanned,	No.	645	(@ Rs. 50 / per score)	160 13	1,202	359 7	(@ Rs. 80 / per score)	Do.	198 10	198 10	
Liquors.											
Champagne, Sparkling / Wines and Liqueurs, / Do. Maulmain,	Galls	2,278 1/2	(@ Rs. 1 / per gall)	2,278 12	4,131 1/2	5,963 12	(@ Rs. 1-8 / per gall.)	Do.	3,685	3,685	Of this quantity 232 1/2 gallons were charged duty at 1 per cent only, having been declared for Export to Mandalay.
Oils.	"	162	—	162	70	163	—	11th Do.	—	—	
Cocoonut,	"	22,932	(@ Rs. 14 / per cwt.)	1,738 12	42,123	4,221	(@ Rs. 20 / per cwt.)	8th Do.	2,482 3	2,482 3	
Linseed, Europe.	"	2,462	(@ Rs. / 1-12 per imperial gallon.)	323 3	12,594	2,026	(@ Rs. 2-4 / per imperial gallon.)	Do.	1,712 13	1,712 13	
SUGAR.											
Candy,	Cwt.	42	(@ Rs. 15 / per cwt.)	47 2	394 1/2	582	(@ Rs. 20 / per cwt.)	Do.	53 14	—	
Molasses or Jaggery,	"	1,206	(@ Rs. 3-8 / & 4 per cwt.)	555	4,032 1/2	443 15	(@ ad va- lorem)	Do.	—	111 1	423 13
Silk, Raw and Thread,	Lbs.	3,765	(@ Rs. 5 & / per lb.)	1,413 7	16,537	8,587 9	(@ Rs. 7 & / 8 per lb.)	Do.	7,17 2	7,174 2	
Metal, Steel, (Maulmain),	Cwt.	10	(@ 1 per cent)	1 7	12	22 8	(@ 7 1/2 per cent.)	16th May 1867	21 2	21 2	

NOTE.—Akyab and Bassein returns blank.

B.

Statement exhibiting the effect in the year 1867-68 compared with the previous year of the enhanced rate of Export Duty ordered to be levied on Articles enumerated below under the operation of the orders of Government contained in Act XVII of 1867.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	REMARKS.
NAMES OF ARTICLES.	Unit of quantity.	Quantity Exported in 1866-67 omitting fractions.	Old rate in 1866-67.	Amount Duty actually realized in 1866-67.	Quantity Exported in 1867-68 omitting fractions.	Amount Duty actually realized in 1867-68.	New rate in 1867-68.	Date the new rate took effect.	Actual Increase or Decrease of Duty levied in 1867-68 as compared with column 5. Increase. Decrease.	Not increase of Duty levied in 1867-68.	
Grain,	Mds.	50,78,772	2 As. per md.	6,84,486	72,51,912	13,94,104	3 As. per md.	11th March 1867,	7,06,618		
Stick-lac,	Cwt.	1,523	Rs. 3 per cent.	982 5	577	369	Rs. 4 per cent.	Do.	613 5		

Statement exhibiting the effect in the year 1867-68 compared with the previous year of the reduced rate of Import Duty or of rate of

Valuations of Goods ordered to be levied on Articles below enumerated under the operation of the orders of Government

contained in Act XVII of 1867.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	REMARKS.
NAMES OF ARTICLES.	Unit of quantity.	Quantity Imported in 1866-67.	Old rate in 1866-67.	Amount Duty actually realized in 1866-67.	Quantity Imported in 1867-68.	Amount Duty actually realized in 1867-68.	New rate in 1867-68.	Date the new rate took effect.	Actual Increase or Decrease of Duty levied in 1867-68 as compared with column 5.	Net Increase of Duty levied in 1867-68.	
Cotton Twist,	Bs.	9,13,420	{ @ As. 12-9 to Rs 2 per lb }	42,111 9	16,08,660	64,720 8	{ @ As. 7 to Rs. 1-14 per lb }	31st Mar. 1867	22,608 15	22,608 15	
Do. Piece Goods, . .	yds.	60,00,252	{ @ As. 12 to Rs 1 per lb }	51,888 13	106,56,377	78,464 5	{ @ As. 11 and 13 per lb }	Do.	16,575 8	—	
METALS, IRON.	doz.	2,15,543	{ per lb }	15,457 14	2,19,770	15,116 8	Ad valorem,	Do.	341	6,16,234 2	
Bar, bolt and flat,	Cwt.	14,370	{ @ Rs 90 per ton }	646 10	15,722	796	{ @ Rs. 85 per ton }	Do.	149 6	—	
Rod,	"	2,316	{ @ Rs. 110 per ton }	127 6	2,660	126 6	{ @ Rs. 95 per ton }	Do.	1	148 6	
Nails, (Maulman),	"	625	{ @ Rs. 7½ per cent }	479 4	556½	141 2	{ @ Re. 1 per cent }	16th May 1867	465 2	—	

NOTE.—Bassein and Akyab Returns blank.

D.

Statement exhibiting the effect in the year 1867-68 compared with the previous year of the reduced rate of Export Duty ordered to be levied on Articles enumerated below under the operation of the orders of Government contained in Act XVII of 1867

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
NAMES OF ARTICLES.	Unit of quantity.	Quantity Exported in 1866-67.	Old rate in 1866-67.	Amount Duty actually realized in 1866-67.	Quantity Exported in 1867-68.	Amount Duty actually realized in 1867-68.	New rate in 1867-68.	Date the new rate took effect.	Actual Increase or Decrease of Duty levied in 1867-68 compared with column 5.	Net Decrease of the Remission of Duty.
Cutch,	Cwt.	44,010	Rs. 3 per cent.	8,551	77,837			8th March 1867		
Hides,	No.	1,912	"	51	1,01,594			Do.		
Horns,	"	36,537	"	276	46,223			Do.		
Lead,	Cwt.	226	"	41	646			Do.		
Ivory,	"	22	"	153	19			Do.		
Jade Stones,	"	399	"	3,629	2,141			Do.		
Sundries, (Maulmain,)	—	—	"	91	—	84	2 Free,	16th May 1867.	614	
Bassein, Nil										
Akyab, Nil,										

Declared price by Act XVII of 1867.

Free.

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Do.

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Do.

Trade of British Burma by Sea and Land for the 5 years ending 31st March 1868.

DIVISIONS.	Years.	Exports.	Imports.	Total.	Customs.
ARAKAN, Do. Do. Do. Do	1863-64,	64,41,649	57,73,971	122,15,620	4,91,951
	1864-65,	80,04,094	58,51,727	138,55,821	4,09,199
	1865-66,	83,30,289	76,35,730	159,66,018	3,79,579
	1866-67,	54,27,193	51,34,916	105,62,109	2,93,367
	1867-68,	47,02,036	72,93,021	119,95,057	4,37,129
	Total	329,05,260	316,89,365	645,94,625	20,11,225
	Average	65,81,052	63,37,873	129,18,925	4,02,245
PEGU, Do. Do. Do. Do	1863-64,	548,83,106	221,52,347	770,35,453	10,72,083
	1864-65,	381,88,200	346,50,254	728,38,454	14,96,531
	1865-66,	372,49,697	356,24,820	728,74,517	13,97,742
	1866-67,	274,74,873	277,66,836	552,41,709	7,82,854
	1867-68,	360,64,835	375,60,938	736,25,773	14,08,015
	Total	1,938,60,711	1,577,55,195	3,516,15,906	61,57,255
	Average	387,72,122	315,51,039	703,23,161	12,31,451
TENASSERIM, Do. Do. Do. Do	1863-64,	58,97,250	53,41,929	112,39,179	1,17,143
	1864-65,	92,55,329	74,67,734	167,23,063	1,32,926
	1865-66,	101,03,873	85,08,909	186,12,782	1,18,042
	1866-67,	65,25,816	66,61,925	131,90,741	1,13,196
	1867-68,	68,29,481	70,59,562	138,89,043	1,46,565
	Total	386,11,749	350,43,059	736,54,808	6,27,872
	Average	77,22,349	70,08,611	147,30,961	1,25,574
Grand Total for 5 years	1863-64,	372,22,005	332,68,247	704,90,252	16,81,177
	1864-65,	554,47,623	479,67,715	1,034,15,338	20,38,656
	1865-66,	556,83,858	517,69,459	1,074,53,317	18,95,363
	1866-67,	391,27,882	395,66,677	786,94,559	11,89,417
	1867-68,	475,96,352	519,13,521	995,09,873	19,91,739
	Total	2,353,77,720	2,244,87,616	4,598,65,339	87,96,352
	Average	470,75,544	448,97,523	919,73,067	17,59,270

Exports by Sea for

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1863-64.		1864-65.		1865-66.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
Copper,	Mds.	478	24,069	2,994	93,256	1,681	3
Cotton, raw,	"	51,272	16,10,974	81,603	25,16,219	96,720	17,2
Cutch,	"	149,791	7,62,159	127,299	6,24,998	86,595	4,4
Hides,	No.	61,228	72,329	60,891	77,962	55,173	9
Horns,	"	38,979	9,524	50,185	14,777	92,343	2
Ivory,	Mds.	145	33,876	179	39,473	208	4
Jade,	"	792	*2,23,843	835	83,840	770	7
Lead,	"	2,834	24,718	2,901	24,259	2,781	2
Orpiment,	"	383	11,440	2,930	93,829	2,191	6
Petroleum,	"	35,236	1,40,367	59,657	2,28,801	57,038	1,6
Rice and Paddy,	Tons	387,426	1,42,33,208	469,618	2,45,16,828	426,197	2,43,7
Precious Stones,	Rs.	—	3,53,530	—	3,42,100	—	3,4
Stick-lac,	Mds.	5,369	66,820	6,124	67,940	3,104	2
Timber,	Tons	87,767	48,13,260	142,821	83,72,904	145,152	89,2
Tobacco,	Mds	24,161	2,89,597	18,347	1,78,224	15,167	1,6
Treasure,							
For Government,	Rs.	--	8,00,000	--	9,42,500	--	9,2
For Private Parties,	"	--	31,66,374	--	40,62,901	--	54,6
Miscellaneous Articles,		--	42,56,748	--	43,13,347	--	43,6
Total			3,08,92,836		4,65,94,158		4,73,5

* During this year the Tariff value was about Rs. 300 per maund. In the following year it was reduced to about Rs. 100 per maund which has been continued.

years ending 31st March 1868.

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67. †		1867-68.		Total for 5 years.		Average for 5 years.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
er,	Mds.	525	23,749	1,016	26,419	6,694	2,06,842	1,338	41,368
on, raw,	,,	48,877	9,27,676	36,391	5,96,213	314,863	73,72,203	62,972	14,74,440
sh,	,,	72,195	3,69,529	156,380	12,50,477	592,260	34,39,794	1,18,452	6,87,959
ss,	No.	44,569	65,923	118,482	1,24,110	340,343	4,32,287	68,068	86,458
qs,	,,	56,580	15,461	69,361	23,099	307,418	84,607	61,489	16,921
y,	Mds.	88	20,272	228	56,501	848	1,91,604	169	38,321
z,	,,	594	59,325	4,355	3,64,050	7,352	8,08,666	1,470	1,61,733
l,	,,	1,347	10,690	6,879	67,690	16,742	1,47,638	3,348	29,527
ument,	,,	1,563	35,279	958	23,950	8,025	2,26,760	1,605	45,352
roleum,	,,	17,398	62,398	14,512	40,760	183,841	6,37,398	36,768	1,27,479
and Paddy,	Tons	248,101	1,26,19,964	325,917	1,49,14,220	1,857,259	9,06,58,553	3,71,451	1,81,31,711
uous Stones,	Rs.	—	2,42,225	—	2,28,410	—	15,56,810	—	3,11,362
k lac,	Mds.	3,654	43,855	3,170	31,857	21,421	2,38,803	4,284	47,761
ber,	Tons	68,955	42,64,274	81,078	45,92,946	525,773	3,09,66,111	1,05,154	61,93,222
acro,	Mds.	17,007	1,96,057	21,162	1,58,433	95,844	9,79,824	19,169	1,95,965
asure,									
Government,	Rs.	—	12,66,000	—	2,84,000	—	42,21,000	—	8,44,200
Private Parties,	,,	—	77,64,574	—	47,53,421	—	2,52,44,709	—	50,48,942
ellaneous Ar- les,	,,	—	41,83,940	—	52,79,068	—	2,23,99,618	—	44,79,924
Total			3,21,71,191		3,28,15,174		18,98,13,227		3,79,62,645

† 1866-67 consisted of only 11 months.

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1863-64.		1864-65.		1865-66.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
Betel-nuts, ..	Mds.	111,395	6,90,153	132,206	8,12,029	200,395	12,7
Cotton Twist and Yarn,	lbs.	1,523,907	15,17,010	1,825,696	23,12,150	1,703,114	23,1
Crockery, ..	—	—	1,64,792	—	1,29,500	—	2,6
Cutlery, ..	—	—	74,183	—	1,16,941	—	1,9
Gunny bags, ..	No	3,633,101	10,44,385	5,473,607	19,92,496	5,820,004	19,3
Hardware, ..	—	—	2,05,237	—	2,32,163	—	3,5
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	992,828	31,98,091	1,033,481	50,86,962	1,325,835	58,8
Do. Silk,	„	324,972	18,40,830	489,294	30,77,953	470,655	28,3
Do. Woollen,	„	36,327	7,67,998	33,703	12,70,033	58,102	14,2
Silk, raw, ..	lbs.	69,968	4,50,694	112,222	7,01,228	109,486	6,2
Spirituuous Liquors,	Galls.	33,533	2,54,485	34,734	2,59,148	53,950	3,8
Wines, Beer, &c.,	„	273,559	4,97,633	329,622	6,53,718	362,005	6,2
Sugar,	Mds	20,573	2,21,256	21,753	2,29,597	46,652	4,2
Timber, ..	Tons	1,884	98,904	2,684	1,51,255	2,612	1,50
Tobacco, ...	Mds.	61,956	8,85,069	106,206	10,99,410	232,248	9,2
Treasure,							
For Government,	Rs	—	3,18,900	—	9,46,650	—	7,8
For Private Parties,	„	—	1,04,32,623	—	1,61,00,768	—	1,72,7
All other Articles not enume- rated above, ... }	„	—	53,44,454	—	64,31,390	—	68,31
Total .			2,83,06,697		4,16,03,391		4,45,14

3.

5 years ending 31st March 1868.

ARTICLES.	Unit.	1866-67.		1867-68.		Total for 5 years.		Average per year.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
Almonds,	Mds.	145,625	14,91,455	177,100	14,02,879	766,271	56,74,028	153,344	11,34,806
Iron Twist & Yarn	lbs.	2,134,297	28,84,412	3,293,412	38,75,903	10,480,462	1,29,04,319	2,096,085	25,80,864
Cookery,	—	—	2,37,812	—	1,60,100	—	9,59,918	—	1,91,984
Leary,	—	—	2,46,200	—	2,10,075	—	8,38,756	—	1,67,751
Many bags,	No.	2,676,795	8,31,557	3,586,526	10,88,488	21,190,033	68,91,767	4,238,006	13,78,353
dwars,	—	—	2,18,545	—	2,15,365	—	12,25,233	—	2,45,046
se Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	1,170,907	46,76,170	1,696,161	66,79,972	6,219,212	2,58,21,697	1,243,842	51,64,339
Do. Silk,	„	367,766	19,36,703	465,112	26,69,481	2,117,799	1,23,63,974	423,560	24,72,795
Do. Woolen	„	31,248	11,64,118	45,352	12,83,822	204,732	59,08,583	40,946	11,81,717
, raw,	lbs.	101,702	6,75,086	68,294	4,99,874	461,672	29,52,373	92,334	5,90,475
rtuous Liquors,	Galls.	52,764	3,87,518	70,042	4,49,836	245,029	17,33,272	40,056	3,46,654
ices, Beer, &c.,	„	342,492	6,22,286	374,454	7,92,984	1,682,132	31,92,676	336,426	6,38,535
ar,	Mds.	34,317	3,32,540	36,911	3,53,962	160,206	15,61,942	32,041	3,12,388
iber, ...	Tons	4,078	2,20,264	3,722	2,00,552	14,980	8,21,067	2,996	1,64,213
acco,	Mds.	188,646	20,89,736	130,333	14,79,897	719,389	64,81,343	143,877	12,96,269
asure,									
Government, ..	Rs.	—	2,91,989	—	3,40,390	—	26,85,873	—	5,37,175
Private Parties,	„	—	80,88,329	—	1,00,11,046	—	6,19,09,771	—	1,23,81,954
other Articles not enumerated above,	„	—	75,38,445	—	95,28,583	—	3,56,74,266	—	71,34,853
Total			3,39,33,165		4,12,43,209		18,96,00,858		3,79,20,171

REPORT

ON THE TRADE AND CUSTOMS OF THE ARAKAN DIVISION OF BRITISH BURMA, FOR THE YEAR 1867-68.

From Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. J. STEVENSON, Commissioner of Arakan, to
the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of British Burma, Rangoon,—
No. 27, Revenue,—dated Akyab, the 25th April 1868.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for submission to the Chief
Commissioner, the Annual Trade and Customs' Report of this
Division for the year 1867-68, together with Statements X. Y.
and Z. and A. B. C. and D.

2. The total value of Exports and Imports during the

YEARS.	Exports.	Imports	Total.
1866-67,	54,27,193	51,34,916	1,05,62,109
1867-68,	47,02,036	72,93,021	1,19,95,057
Increase			14,32,948

years 1866-67 and 1867-68
was as given in the margin,
showing an increase of Rs.
14,32,948 in the year of re-
port.

3. The Statements given below show the details of the
trade during these years, and the increase and decrease under
each head.

EXPORTS.

ARTICLES.	1866-67.	1867-68	Increase	Decrease.
1 Copper, ...	2,036	194	—	1,842
2. Cotton, raw, ...	4,094	—	—	4,094
3. Cutch, ...	8,917	35,265	26,348	—
4. Hides, ...	3,609	3,630	21	—
5. Horns, ...	4,078	6,945	2,867	—
6 Ivory, ...	100	1,070	970	—
7. Lead, ...	80	70	40	—
8. Orpiment, ...	—	—	—	—
9. Petroleum, ...	—	—	—	—
10. Rice and Paddy, ...	37,43,860	39,62,961	2,19,101	—
11. Stones, precious, ...	—	—	—	—
12. Stick-lac, ...	—	—	—	—
13. Timber, ...	78,429	69,498	—	8,931
14. Tobacco, ...	22,129	21,093	—	1,036
15. Treasure,				
A for Government, ...	9,20,000	1,25,000	—	7,95,000
B for Private individuals, ...	4,55,948	8,12,441	—	1,43,507
16. All other Articles not enu- merated, ...	1,83,963	1,63,869	—	20,094
Total...	54,27,193	47,02,036	Net	7,25,157

IMPORTS.

ARTICLES.	1866-67.	1867-68.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. Betel-nut, ...	1,46,672	1,39,582	—	7,090
2. Cotton Twist and Yarn, ...	5,52,296	5,13,490	—	38,806
3. Crockery-ware, ..	51,208	17,448	—	33,760
4. Cutlery, ...	3,418	5,235	1,817	—
5. Gunny bags, ...	1,39,672	3,45,544	2,05,872	—
6. Hardware, ...	9,228	11,668	2,435	—
7. Piece Goods, Cotton, ...	8,28,766	7,45,216	—	83,550
8. Do. Silk, ...	1,44,049	89,999	—	54,050
9. Do. Woollen, ..	82,212	1,15,099	32,887	—
10. Silk, raw, ...	2,250	800	—	1,450
11. Spirituous Liquors, ...	37,611	40,860	3,249	—
12. Sugar, ...	18,838	23,850	5,012	—
13. Timber, ...	27,971	43,596	15,625	—
14. Tobacco, ...	1,66,727	1,21,711	—	45,016
15. Treasure				
A for Government, ..	69,989	1,49,990	80,001	—
B for Private individuals, ...	21,07,131	38,51,288	17,44,157	—
16. Wines and Beer, ...	28,430	52,874	24,444	—
17. All other Articles not enumerated, ...	7,18,448	10,24,776	3,06,328	—
Total .	51,34,916	72,93,021	21,58,105	Net.

4. There was a falling off in the total value of Exports to the amount of Rs. 7,25,157 during the year under report, while there was an increase of Rs. 21,58,105 in the Imports—details of these will be given in subsequent paragraphs.

5. Statement Y. exhibits the Exports and Imports under the several heads as well as the collection of Customs Duties in the Division. The following table shows the transactions of the past two years :—

CUSTOMS' DUTY.			
1866-67,	...	...	2,93,367
1867-68,	...	...	4,37,129
Increase...			1,43,762

6. The details of the Export of Grain and Timber from the Division are given in Statement Z. The quantity of Grain exported during the year was 97,876 tons of the value of Rs. 39,62,961—Timber 1,134 tons valued at Rs. 69,498.

7. I herewith submit copies of the Reports (marginally noted) and Returns received from the Collector of Customs and the Deputy Commissioner, Ramree, with the following remarks:—

Collector of Customs No. — dated 9th instant.
Deputy Commissioner, Ramree, No. 1, dated 8th instant.

AKYAB CUSTOM HOUSE.

8. The following was the value of Exports and Imports for the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 :—

1866-67,	...	...	1,04,82,481
1867-68,	...	...	1,18,39,709
			<u>Increase*...13,57,228</u>

or say about £135,700* Sterling.

9. But the Export* trade declined by nearly 8 lakhs, and this, although last year was a complete year, while the previous year was one of 11 months only. Cutch, Hides, Horns, Ivory, and Rice and Paddy show an increase; Copper, Cotton, Tobacco, and Treasure a decrease.

10. The Collector of Customs gives the following list of increase :—

		INCREASE.	DECREASE.
Copper, ...	...	0	1,842
Cotton, raw,	...	0	4,094
Cutch,	...	26,348	0
Hides,	...	21	0
Horns,	...	3,189	0
Ivory,	...	970	0
Lead,	...	40	0
Rice and Paddy,	...	2,12,966	0
Timber,	...	0	10,891
Tobacco,	...	0	136
Treasure, Government,	...	0	8,50,000
Do. Private, ...	...	0	1,43,507
Articles not enumerated,	...	0	24,270
		<u>Rupees?...2,43,534</u>	<u>10,34,740</u>

11. The increase in Cutch Rs. 26,348, and Rice and Paddy Rs. 2,12,966 are noticeable. The decrease in Timber nearly Rs. 11,000 is satisfactorily and I believe correctly accounted for in Mr. Brown's 11th para. "Timber—there is a
 “falling off in this, chiefly owing I believe to tonnage not
 “being available for carrying Railway Sleepers to Calcutta,
 “and likewise to the fact that the Iron wood jungles near the
 “margin of the creeks in Akyab have been exhausted.”

12. It will be seen that to the very large decrease in the Export of Treasure (Government $8\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs, and Private Rs. 1,43,507) is to be attributed the total decrease of the Export values of the year. The Collector of Customs has these remarks on the subject, “Again there has been a
 “falling off in the Export of Private Treasure amounting to
 “Rs. 1,43,507, and as I have heretofore reported, can only
 “be accounted for by people preferring to remit through
 “the Banks than risk sending Coin by the Steamers. An-
 “other Bank started during the year.”

13. The increase in the value of Imports is considerably over Rupees twenty-one lakhs. The figures are—

1866-67,	...	...	Rs. 51,31,616
1867-68,	...	...	„ 72,80,050

Increase...21,48,434

14. The principal articles making this increase are Gunnies, Woollen Piece Goods, Timber, Treasure, Wines and Beer, and articles not enumerated. Of these I specially notice—

Gunny Bags,	(increase)	...	2,05,872
Woollen Goods,		...	32,887
Timber,		...	15,625
Treasure,		...	18,19,558
Articles not enumerated,		...	3,01,257

The Collector of Customs' remarks, "Gunny Bags; a greater number being required, as the export of Rice was greater than in the former year. Woollen Piece Goods has increased by Rs. 32,887, the natives appear to prefer a Woollen to a Cotton Jacket, but I expect this is only fashion with them. The increase in Timber is owing chiefly to a quantity of Planks being brought from Singapore."

15. Mr. Brown's remarks in his 25th para. are deserving of notice. I extract them for readier reference. "The falling off in Cotton Piece Goods and Silk Piece Goods is in my opinion owing to the short quantity of grain shipped in 1866-67. It generally follows that after a bumper season the import of these articles increases, and a short export of Rice causes the reverse, and this year, 1867-68, there has been a greater quantity of Woollen Piece Goods imported, which of course affects the Cotton Piece Goods trade."

The Duty realized was as shown below:—

1866-67,	...	...	Rs. 2,93,367
1867-68,	...	...	„ 4,37,129

Increase...1,43,762

16. About £43,700 is a very satisfactory sum of Custom Duties to be levied in this comparatively small Port, and the cost of the Establishment by which it is collected, viz., Rs. 14,730 is only 3·37 per cent of the amount.

17. The remarks in the Collector of Customs' para. 31,

"The above shows an increase of Rs. 1,43,762 entirely owing to Exports, for there was a decrease of Rs. 1,511 in Imports. A large quantity of Imports are received via Calcutta and Rangoon, at which Ports the Import Duty is often paid.

marginally extracted, deserve attention, especially the concluding clause.

18. It appears that nearly 1,00,000 tons of Rice valued at about £400,000 were shipped during the year. The Collector of Customs' remarks in his 34th para. as follows:—"The

"above figures show an increase both in quantity and
 "value, yet the quantity exported during the past year falls
 "short of the average export by, in round numbers, 23,000
 "tons, and which most assuredly would have been export-
 "ed (if not more) had ships been available; indeed, from
 "enquiries I have made there appears to be from 20 to
 "25,000 tons of Rice in store in the Merchant's godowns
 "and ready for shipment. Ships are eagerly taken up at
 "even the high freight of from £1-7-0 to £4-15-0, and at
 "these high rates sufficient tonnage cannot be obtained."
 I have to add that freights have since touched £5, but are
 now averaging £4-17-6.

19. Mr. Brown's remarks in his 35th para. on the en-

"In March 1867 the duty on Grain was in-
 "creased and the Merchants had an idea that
 "they were to be ruined thereby, but from
 "all accounts the reverse was the result of
 "the shipments, for there was more money
 "made by Rice last year than had been made
 "for years. One firm, that ships from 3 Ports,
 "it is said made over 7 (seven) lakhs of Rupees.
 "Of course this cheerful state of things was
 "not caused by the increased rate of duty,
 "but chiefly by the short quantity of grain
 "exported which sent up prices in Europe."

hanced Grain duty (margin-
 ally given) show that he
 pays attention to matters
 connected with his depart-
 ment, and would doubtless
 be agreeable to Mr. Massey.

20. His 37th para. is also deserving of notice. "It is
 "only occasionally that Grain is shipped to the Straits, and
 "so far as this Port is concerned may be said to have ceased.
 "Saigon is now the favorite Port with the Straits' traders,
 "and there is every reason to suppose that the trade there
 "will interfere considerably with our grain trade with Eu-
 "rope, for not only is grain cheaper at Saigon than in Bri-
 "tish Burma, but shipping can be obtained at lower rates
 "for Saigon than for our Ports, for the Masters of ships from
 "China and the Straits would prefer the near Port of Saigon
 "to one of ours more distant." I have had the opportunity
 of reading the Administration Report of this French Settle-
 ment (Saigon) for the last year. It appears to enjoy a brisk

and increasing trade with Europe, but considering our rapidly increasing population and our enormous area of cultivable land, in British Burma, I cannot look upon Saigon as a dangerous rival even in the rice trade. And I think Saigon rice commands a very low figure in the market. *

21. Mr. Brown reports that “ during the past year a “ branch of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China “ was established in Akyab, affording the Merchants, as regards money, far more facilities than they had before.”

PORT OF KYOUK-PHYOO.

22. The value of the Exports and Imports of Kyouk-Phyoo has nearly doubled this year as compared with last, the total value for 1866-67 having been only Rs. 79,628, while this year, 1867-68, it is Rs. 1,55,340. But I am sorry to say this is in a small measure only due to a real increase of trade. The Government remittances of Treasure appear in these amounts : which

In 1866 67 were (exported)	Rs	70,000
1867 68		1,25,000

Increase . 55,000

23. Of the increase in Imports, which, insignificant as they are, are nearly three times as much as they were in the previous year; the Deputy Commissioner says, “ the increase in Imports is entirely due to private enterprize, “ being increased Import of goods and money to purchase “ and export Salt, Paddy and Iron wood Sleepers.”

24. The Deputy Commissioner goes on to say, “ the “ trade therefore of Ramree District, due to private enterprize “ during 1867-68 is represented by a value of Rs. 30,348, a “ miserably small one when the size, the population and the “ internal water communications of the District are taken “ into consideration ; but with steam communication with the

“outer world, the trade of the District would receive that
 “stimulus which it requires so much. Mercantile Agencies
 “would be certain to spring up, and a general benefit diffused
 “through the District.” I fully concur with him that regular steam communication with this District is the only apparent means of opening up its trade, inviting capital and enterprise, and developing its resources. In my letter No. 69 of the 13th instant, I have made an earnest special appeal to the Chief Commissioner on the subject.

25. On Salt, Paddy and Iron wood, the Deputy Commissioner reports as follows :—

“The principal Exports during 1867-68 were Salt, Paddy
 “and Iron wood Sleepers, as follows, contrasted with 1866-67.

YEARS.	Salt. Value.	Paddy. Value.	Iron wood Sleepers.	Remarks.
1866-67, ...	4,235	...*	...	* Crops destroyed in Cheduba.
1867-68, ...	9,282	6,135	1,960	
Increase, ...	5,047	6,135	1,960	

“Increase export, Salt, owing to better market price at Bassein, Akyab and Rangoon. Increase in Iron wood Sleepers
 “owing to the presence of an Agency established for the
 “collection of Sleepers for the Indian Railways.”

26. I beg strongly to recommend to the Chief Commissioner's attention the Deputy Commissioner's remarks respecting the visits of the Rangoon Mail Steamers to his Port, contained in para. 7 of his report.

X.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom House at Akyab, in the Arakan Division of the Province of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
		To Home or External Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies.		Total.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
Copper, ...	Mds.	9	194	—	—	—	—	9	194
Cotton, raw, ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cutch, ...	"	5,110	35,265	—	—	—	—	5,110	35,265
Hides, ...	No.	3,003	2,930	440	650	50	50	3,493	3,630
Horns, ...	"	15,985	6,680	—	—	793	265	16,778	6,945
Ivory, ...	Mds.	16	970	—	—	2	100	18	1,070
Lead, ...	"	—	—	—	—	5	70	5	70
Orpiment, Yellow, ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Petroleum, ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rice and Paddy	Tons	13,272	2,93,217	84,604	36,69,743	—	—	1,07,876	39,62,961
Precious Stones, ...	No.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stick-lac, ...	Mds.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Timber, ...	Tons	1,093	67,538	—	—	41	1,960	1,134	69,498
Tobacco, ...	Mds.	672	4,253	—	—	2,031	16,840	2,703	21,093
Treasure, ...									
A for Government, ...	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	1,25,000	—	1,25,000
B for Private Individuals, ...	"	—	2,69,941	—	—	—	42,500	—	3,12,441
All other Articles not enumerated, ...	Value	—	82,761	—	1,980	—	79,128	—	1,63,869
Total ..			7,63,749		36,72,373		2,65,914		47,02,036

X.—(Concluded.)

Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Customs House at Akyab, in the Arakan Division of the Province of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.								Grand Total value of Exports and Imports.
			From Home and Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies.		Total.		
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	
1	Betel-nut,	Mds.	20,077	1,39,082	13	180	40	320	20,130	1,39,582	
2	Cotton Twist & Yarn	lbs.	2,89,366	5,10,850	—	—	1,600	2,640	2,90,966	5,13,490	
3	Crockery ware,	No.	1,31,436	14,972	600	28	10,492	2,448	1,42,528	17,448	
4	Cutlery.	„	4,246	2,700	60	15	2,020	2,520	6,326	5,235	
5	Gunny bags,	„	11,44,969	3,45,544	—	—	—	—	11,44,969	3,45,544	
6	Hardware,	„	9,891	10,318	186	759	173	586	10,250	11,663	
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	2,08,473	7,09,619	32	61	13,483	35,536	2,21,988	7,45,216	
8	Do. Silk,	„	32,866	81,335	—	—	8,613	8,664	41,479	89,999	
9	Do. Woollen,	„	1,376	1,11,619	—	—	34	3,480	1,410	1,15,099	
10	Silk, raw,	lbs	100	800	—	—	—	—	100	800	
11	Spiritous Liquors,	Galls.	915	7,815	229	1,712	4,550	31,333	5,685	40,860	
12	Sugar,	Mds	1,814	23,750	—	—	10	100	1,824	23,850	
13	Timber,	Tons	34	1,900	234	6,886	562	34,810	830	43,596	
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	15,245	1,21,711	—	—	—	—	15,245	1,21,711	
15	Treasure,										
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	24,999	—	—	—	1,24,991	—	1,49,990	
	B for Private Individuals,	„	—	8,49,688	—	—	—	1,600	—	38,51,288	
16	Wines and Beer,	Galls.	6,369	30,448	4,670	16,770	1,446	5,656	12,485	52,874	
17	All other Articles not enumerated,	Value	—	7,33,202	—	59,831	—	2,31,743	—	10,24,776	
	Total ..			67,20,352		86,242		4,86,427		72,93,021	1,19

Abstract Statement of the value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom Houses of the Arakan Division, during the year 1867-68, with amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.		Total value for each Custom House.		Amount of Duty realized.		Total value for each Custom House in previous year.		Total amount of Duty in previous year.	
		Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
ARAKAN	AKYAB,	7,57,614	67,14,272	36,72,373	86,242	1,29,672	4,79,536	45,50,659	72,50,050	1,18,39,709	4,37,129	104,82,481	2,93,367				
	KYOUNG-PHYOO,	6,135	6,080	—	—	1,36,242	6,891	1,42,377	12,971	1,55,348	—	79,628					
Total		7,63,749	67,20,352	36,72,373	86,242	2,65,914	4,86,427	47,02,036	72,93,021	1,19,95,057	4,37,129	105,62,109	2,93,367				

REMARKS.

FINES, CONFISCATIONS, &c		Rs.	
Fees for granting Duplicate Documents,		5	
Sale of package Cases, &c.,		3	
Cargo Boat License,		171	
Registration of Do.		57	
Fines on Establishment,		2	
Total Rs.	238		

undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom Houses of the Arakan Division of British Burma, excluding fractions.

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the An- daman Islands and dependen- cies.		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Total by Land.		Grand Total by Sea and Land.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	
	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	
- - ARYAB.									
Rice and Paddy,	—	1	97,681	39,56,826	—	—	97,681	39,56,826	
Timber,	—	—	1,093	67,538	—	—	1,093	67,538	
KYOUK-PHYOO.									
Paddy, ...	—	—	195	6,135	—	—	195	6,135	
Timber, ..	41	1,960	41	1,960	—	—	41	1,960	
Total {	Rice and Paddy, .	—	1	97,876	39,62,961	—	—	97,876	39,62,961
	Timber, ...	41	1,960	1,134	69,498	—	—	1,134	69,498

From the Collector of Customs, Akyab, to the Commissioner of Arakan,—
dated at Akyab, this 9th day of April 1868.

I HAVE the honor to forward the Statements noted in
the margin* relative to the Import and Ex-
port trade of Akyab, for the year ending
31st March 1868.

*X. Y. Z. and (A.
B. C. and D. not
printed.)

2. The Statement marked X. exhibits the principal articles of Import and Export and their value for the year under review.

3. The following is the actual value of Imports and Exports for 1866-67 and 1867-68 :—

1866-67,	...	...	Rs. 104,82,481
1867-68,	...	...	„ 118,39,709
			Increase Rupees... 13,57,228

4. The value of the Exports trade for the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 was as follows :—

1866-67,	...	...	Rs. 53,50,865
1867-68,	...	...	„ 45,59,659
			Decrease Rupees... 7,91,206

5. The above shows a decrease of Rupees 7,91,206, and this, notwithstanding that the year 1866-67 only included 11 months.

6. The articles giving increase are Cutch, Hides, Horns, Ivory, Lead, and Rice and Paddy.

7. The articles showing a decrease are Copper, Cotton. (raw,) Timber, Tobacco, Treasure and articles not enumerated.

8. The following shows the increase and decrease under the several heads for 1866-67 and 1867-68 :—

	Increase.	Decrease.
Copper, ...	...	1,842
Cotton, raw, ...	...	4,094
Cutch, ...	26,348	...
Hides, ...	21	...
Horns, ...	3,189	...
Ivory, ...	970	...
Lead, ...	40	...
Rice and Paddy, ...	2,12,966	...
Timber, ...	...	10,891
Tobacco, ...	...	136
Treasure, ... { Government, ...	...	8,50,000
{ Private, ...	...	1,43,507
Articles not enumerated, ...	...	24,270
Rupees...	2,43,534	10,34,740

9. The falling off in Copper can scarcely be accounted for, at any time it is only old Copper that is exported from this.

10. The Exports of Cotton has entirely ceased, and no wonder, for what has hitherto been shipped from this was rubbish.

11. Timber,—there is a falling off in this, chiefly owing I believe to tonnage not being available for carrying Railway Sleepers to Calcutta, and likewise to the fact that the Iron wood jungles near the margin of the creeks in Akyab have been exhausted.

12. Again there has been a falling off in the Export of Private Treasure, amounting to Rupees 1,43,507, and as I heretofore reported, can only be accounted for by people preferring to remit through the Banks, than risk sending Coin by the Steamers. Another Bank started during the year.

13. The falling off in articles not enumerated include a number of articles of petty value and require no special notice.

14. The amount value of Imports by Sea for 1866-67 and 1867-68, was as follows :—

1866-67,	...	...	Rs. 51,31,616
1867-68,	...	...	„ 72,80,050
Increase Rupees...			21,48,434

15. The above gives an increase for the year 1867-68 of Rupees 21,48,434. The chief articles giving this increase are Gunnies, Woollen Piece Goods, Timber, Treasure, Wines and Beer, and articles not enumerated,

16. The following shows the increase and decrease under the several heads :—

	Increase.	Decrease.
Betel-nuts, ...	...	7,090
Cotton Twist Yarn, ...	...	38,806
Crockery-ware, ...	...	33,760
Cutlery, ...	1,817	...
Gunny Bags, ...	2,05,872	...
Hardware, ...	2,435	...
Cotton Piece Goods, ...	...	83,550
Silk ...	...	54,050
Woollen „ „ ...	32,887	...
Silk, raw, ...	...	1,450
Spirituous Liquors, ...	8,249	...
Sugar, ...	5,012	...
Timber, ...	15,625	...
Tobacco, ...	...	45,016
Treasure, ... { Government,	83,001	...
{ Private,	17,36,557	...
Wines and Beer, ...	24,444	...
Articles not enumerated, ...	3,01,257	...
Rupees...	24,12,156	2,63,722

17. The first article of increase that deserves notice is Gunny bags, a greater number being required, as the export of Rice was greater than in the former year.

18. Woollen Piece Goods has increased by Rs. 32,887, the Natives appear to prefer a Woollen to a Cotton jacket, but I expect this is only fashion with them.

19. Spirituous liquors have increased by Rs. 3,249, but there was a decrease in quantity, not I expect to be deplored.

20. Sugar increased both in quantity and value, the whole being for local consumption.

21. The increase in Timber is owing chiefly to a quantity of Planks having been brought from Singapore.

22. The large increase in Treasure, Rs. 18,19,558, at first sight appears strange, when it is considered that the value of grain exported was in excess of the former year by only Rs. 2,00,000; however, the increase is chiefly on account of Rice purchased (and yet to be purchased) and stored, as will be noted hereafter.

23. There is an increase in Wines and Beer and also in articles not enumerated, which cannot be well accounted for.

24. There was a small falling off in the Imports of Betel-nut, the native traders I presume were cautious this year, for they had been bitten for one or two years.

25. The falling off in Cotton Twist, Cotton Piece Goods and Silk Piece Goods is in my opinion owing to the short quantity of grain shipped in 1866-67. It generally follows that after a bumper season the import of these articles increase, and a short export of rice causes the reverse—and this year 1867-68 there has been a greater quantity of Woollen piece goods imported, which of course affects the Cotton goods trade.

26. We have had but one or two vessels from the Straits, hence the falling off in Crockery-ware.

27. There has been a falling off in Tobacco, and the remark on Betel-nut (para. 24) is applicable to Tobacco.

28. Statement Y. which gives the total value of Exports and Imports and amount of Duty realized thereon for 1866-67, shows as follows :—

YEARS.			Total value of Mercandize.	Total amount of Duty realized.
1866-67,	...	...	104,82,481	2,93,369
1867-68,	...	...	118,39,709	4,37,129
Increase...			13,57,228	1,43,762

29. The value of Stores, including Treasure imported on the part of Government, was Rs. 2,44,596, as per Memo. appended.

30. The following figures show separately the amount of Duty realized during the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 :—

YEARS.			Imports.	Exports.	Total.
1866-67,	...	...	6,448	2,86,919	2,93,367
1867-68,	...	...	4,937	4,32,192	4,37,129
Increase ..			—	1,45,273	1,43,762
Decrease...			1,511	...	...

31. The above shows an increase of Rs. 1,43,762, entirely owing to Exports, for there was a decrease of Rs. 1,511 in Imports. A large quantity of Imports are received via Calcutta and Rangoon at which Ports the Import Duty is often paid.

32. The increase in Export Duty was caused by more Grain having been exported to Foreign Ports. The increase would have been much greater, but ships were not available to carry the grain.

33. Statement Z. shows the quantity of Rice and Timber exported during the year, and the following figures show the result as regards Rice for the year 1866-67 and 1867-68 ;—

Y E A R S.			Tons.	Value.
1866-67,	...	...	81,391	37,43,860
1867-68,	...	...	97,681	39,56,826
Increase...			16,290	2,12,966

34. The above figures shows an increase both in quantity and value, yet the quantity exported during the past year falls short of the average export by in round numbers 23,000 tons, and which most assuredly would have been exported (if not more) had ships been available; indeed, from enquiries I have made, there appears to be from 20 to 25,000 tons of Rice in store in the Merchants godowns and ready for shipment. Ships are eagerly taken up at even the high freight of from £4 7s. to £4 15s. and at these high rates sufficient tonnage cannot be obtained.

35. In March 1867 the Duty on Grain was increased, and the Merchants had an idea that they were to be ruined thereby, but from all accounts the reverse was the result of the shipments, for there was more money made by Rice last year than had been made for years. One firm that ships from the three ports it is said made over seven (7) lakhs of Rupees; of course this cheerful state of things was not caused by the increased rate of duty; but chiefly by the short quantity of grain exported which sent up prices in Europe.

36. The following shows the quantity of Grain exported to various places in 1866-67 and 1867-68 :—

	1866-67.	1867-68.	Increase.	Decrease.
United Kingdom, ...	67,779	78,212	10,433	...
Foreign Europe, ...	1,321	5,348	4,027	...
Straits' Settlements, ...	240	...	...	240
Other Foreign Ports, ..	214	1,044	830	...
Home or Indian Ports ..	11,837	13,077	1,240	...
Tons..	81,391	97,681	16,530	240

37. It is only occasionally that Grain is shipped to the Straits, and so far as this port is concerned, may be said to have ceased. Saigon is now the favorite port with the Straits traders, and there is every reason to suppose that the trade there will interfere considerably with our grain trade with Europe, for not only is grain cheaper at Saigon than in British Burma, but shipping can be obtained at lower rates for Saigon than for our ports, for the Masters of Ships from China and the Straits would prefer the near port of Saigon to one of ours, more distant.

38. During the past year a branch of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China was established in Akyab, affording the Merchants, as regards money, far more facilities than they had before.

39. There has also been established a Rice Mill (the first erected) by Messrs. Robertson Brothers, and promises to do well, though it is desirable that another mill be erected, for the present one cannot do all the work, and until a second mill be started, the supply of Paddy to keep the present mill going will not be certain ; however, there is I believe an inclination to start another mill, but enterprise flags in Akyab, and therefore whether the desire will take root is problematical.

tical. One feature in the erection of the present mill is that it was chiefly erected during the rains, and any one that has been for one rains in Akyab will, I am sure, acknowledge that the builder deserves great credit. The mill is erected on made ground on the edge of the Cherogyeah Creek, and there are doubts as to the stability of the chimney; I believe the present brick one will be removed and an iron funnel substituted.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports by Sea entered at the Customs.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
			To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Copper, ...	Mds.	9	194	—	—	—	—	9	—
2	Cotton, raw, ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Cutch, ...	"	5,110	35,265	—	—	—	—	5,110	35,265
4	Hides, ...	No.	3,003	2,930	440	650	50	50	3,493	3,580
5	Horns, ...	"	15,985	6,680	—	—	793	265	16,778	6,945
6	Ivory, ...	Mds.	16	970	—	—	2	100	18	1,070
7	Lead, ...	"	—	—	—	—	5	70	5	70
8	Orpiment, Yellow, ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Petroleum, ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Rice and Paddy, ...	Tons	13,077	2,87,082	84,604	36,69,743	—	—	1,97,681	39,57,825
11	Precious Stones, ...	No.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Stick-lac, ...	Mds.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Timber, ...	Tons	1,093	67,538	—	—	—	—	1,093	67,538
14	Tobacco, ...	Mds.	672	4,253	—	—	2,031	16,840	2,703	17,093
15	Treasure,									
	A for Government, ...	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	B for Private Individuals, ...	"	—	2,69,941	—	—	—	42,500	—	3,11,441
16	All other Articles not enumerated, ...	Value	—	82,761	—	1,980	—	69,846	—	1,58,601
Total				7,57,614		36,72,373		1,29,672		45,59,659

Touse at Akyab, in the Arakan Division of the Province of British Burma, during the year 1867-68.

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.								Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
		From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies.		Total.		
		Quantity	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	
Betel-nut,	Mds.	20,077	1,39,082	13	180	40	320	20,130	1,39,582	
Cotton Twist & Yarn	lbs.	2,89,366	5,10,850	—	—	1,600	2,640	2,90,966	5,13,490	
Crockery-ware,	No.	1,31,436	14,972	600	28	10,492	2,448	1,42,528	17,448	
Cutlery,	„	4,246	2,700	60	15	2,020	2,520	6,326	5,235	
Gunny bags,	„	11,44,969	3,45,544	—	—	—	—	11,44,969	3,45,544	
Hardware,	„	9,891	10,318	186	759	173	586	10,250	11,663	
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	2,08,473	7,09,619	32	61	13,483	35,536	2,21,988	7,45,216	
Do. Silk,	„	32,866	81,335	—	—	8,613	8,664	41,479	89,999	
Do. Woollen	„	1,376	1,11,619	—	—	34	3,480	1,410	1,15,099	
Silk, raw,	lbs.	100	800	—	—	—	—	100	800	
Spirituons Liquors,	Galls	915	7,815	220	1,712	4,550	31,333	5,685	40,860	
Sugar,	Mds	1,814	23,750	—	—	10	100	1,824	23,850	
Timber,	Tons	34	1,900	234	6,886	562	34,810	830	43,596	
Tobacco,	Mds.	15,245	1,21,711	—	—	—	—	15,245	1,21,711	
Treasure,										
A for Government,	Rs.	—	24,999	—	—	—	1,24,991	—	1,49,990	
B for Private Individuals,	„	—	38,43,688	—	—	—	—	—	38,43,688	
Wines and Beer,	Galls.	6,369	30,448	4,670	16,770	1,446	5,656	12,485	52,874	
All other Articles not enumerated,	Value	—	7,33,122	—	59,831	—	2,26,452	—	10,19,405	
Total			67,14,272		86,242		4,79,536		72,80,050	118,39,709

Y.

Abstract Statement of the value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom House of the Arakan Division, during the year 1867-68, with amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.				To and from Foreign Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden				To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.				Tot.		Total value for each Custom House.		Amount of Duty realized.		Total value for each Custom House in corresponding months of previous year.		Total amount of Duty in corresponding months of previous year.	
		Exports	Imports	Rs.		Exports	Imports	Rs.		Exports	Imports	Rs.		Exports	Imports	Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.	
	AKIAB, ...	7,57,614	67,14,272			36,72,373	5,242			1,29,672	4,79,536			43,59,659	72,80,050			118,39,709	4,37,129			104,82,481	2,93,368

REMARKS.

FINES, CONFISCATIONS, &c.
 Fees for granting Duplicate of Documents, Rs. 5
 Sale of packing Case /8, old Chairs 3/... 3
 Cargo Boat License 171/, Registration of do. 57/.. 228
 Fines on Establishment, " 2
 Total Rs. 238

Z.—(Concluded.)

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom House of the Arakan Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

Number.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the An- daman Islands and dependen- cies.		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Total by Land.		Grand Total by Sea and Land.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
	AKYAB.								
	Rice and Paddy, 17	--	1	97,681	39,56,826	—	—	97,681	39,56,82
	Timber, 5 ...	—	—	1,093	67,538	—	—	1,093	67,53

From Captain W. C. PLANT, Deputy Commissioner, Ramree, to Lieutenant-Colonel STEVENSON, Commissioner of Arakan, Akyab,—No. 1, dated Kyouk-Phyoo, 8th April 1868.

I HAVE the honor to submit my Report and Returns for 1867-68, on the Trade and Customs of this District.

II. The value of Imports and Exports for the last two years is as follows :—

			Value in 1866-67.	Value in 1867-68.	Increase in value.
Imports,	...	...	3,300	12,971	9,671
Exports,	...	..	76,328	1,42,377	66,049

The increase in Imports is entirely due to private enterprise, being increased import of goods, and money to purchase and export Salt, Paddy and Iron wood Sleepers.

To get the true increase of Exports due to private parties, the amount of Treasure exported on account of Government should be deducted, viz :—

Rupees 70,000 in 1866-67, and

„ 1,25,000 in 1867-68,

leaving the Exports due to private parties to be

Rupees 6,328 in 1866-67, against

„ 17,377 in 1867-68,

showing that Rupees 9,049 worth of goods, &c., were exported, and 9,671 worth imported by private parties in excess of 1866-67; but for the actual trade for 1867-68 we find that the value of imports by private parties in the year amounted to Rupees 12,971, and the exports by private parties in the same period amounted to 17,377. The trade therefore of Ramree district, due to private enterprise, during 1867-68 is represented by a value of Rupees 30,348, a miserably small one, when the size, the population, and the internal water communications of the district are taken into consideration; but with

steam communication, with the outer world, the trade of the district would receive that stimulus which it requires so much, mercantile agencies would be certain to spring up, and a general benefit diffused through the district.

III. Excluding the Government Export of Treasure, Rs. 1,25,000, the principal exports during 1867-68 were Salt, Paddy, and Iron wood Sleepers, as follows, contrasted with 1866-67 :—

YEARS.	Salt Value	Paddy Value	Iron wood Sleepers	REMARKS
1866-67, .	4,235	0	0	*Crops destroyed in Cheduba
1867-68, .	1,282	6,135	1,960	
Increase	5,017	6,135	1,960	

Increase export in Salt, owing to better market price at Bassein, Akyah, and Rangoon—increase in Iron wood Sleepers. owing to the presence of an agency established for the collection of Sleepers for the Indian Railways.

IV. The chief import was money, Rs. 7,600, by private parties in 1867-68, against none in 1866-67, there being no Paddy or Rice for sale, owing to the destruction of the crops in Cheduba.

In 1867-68 Rupees 3,100 worth of Fish Paste was imported against none in 1866-67. The other articles call for no particular remarks.

V. The number of vessels that visited the Ports during the past two years is as follows :—

YEARS.	No cleared for Home Ports	No cleared for Foreign Ports	Total No of Vessels	Total Tonnage	REMARKS
1866-67, .	8	...	8	651	
1867-68, ..	15	...	15	1,145	
Increase	7		7	494	

VI. No Customs Duties were levied during the year.

VII. In conclusion, and with reference to the latter portion of para. II. of this report, I beg to point out, that in the original draft Contract with the Burma India Steam Navigation Company, Kyouk-Phyoo was mentioned as one of the Ports to be touched at, and as there is a good harbour, with easy access, and as it lays almost in the direct route from Calcutta to Rangoon, it is a matter worthy of consideration, for the improvement and welfare of this district, that a regular steam communication should be established by that Company on receipt of a subsidy from Government, and I trust you will consider the subject worthy of your notice.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom House

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS.							
		To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies.		Total.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value Rs.
Salt,	Mds	-	-	-	-	13,195	9,282	13,195	9,2
Paddy,	Tons	195	6,135	-	-	-	-	195	6,1
Iron wood Sleepers,	"	-	-	-	-	4,016	1,960	4,016	1,9
Treasure,									
A for Government,	Rs.	-	-	-	-	-	1,25,000	-	1,25,0
B for Private Parties,	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total.			6,135		-		1,36,242		1,42,3

the Ramree Division of the Province of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS.								Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
		From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andamans and dependencies		Total.		
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	
nions,	Mds	20	80					20	80	
igars in boxes,	No	—		—		50	50	50	50	
langoe Pickle in pots,	„	—		—		2	16	2	16	
arthen Pots,	„	—				500	25	500	25	
gapee,	Viss	—				27,000	3,100	27,000	3,100	
oral, rough,	No	—				1,000	50	1,000	50	
ath Oil,	Viss	—				10,500	1,150	10,500	1,150	
ups,	No	—				20,000	500	20,000	500	
alm boxes,	„	—				2,000	390	2,000	390	
osmetic bark,	„	—				2,000	10	2,000	10	
reasure,										
for Private Parties,	Rs	—	6,000	—		—	1,600	—	7,600	
Total			6,080				6,891		12,971	1,55,348

Y.

Abstract Statement of the value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Ports of the Ramree Division, during the year 1867-68, with amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon.

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.				To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependentcies				Total.		Total value of each Custom House.	Amount of Duty realized.	Total value of each Custom House in corresponding previous year.	Total amount of Duty in corresponding previous year.
		Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports				
RAMREE.	Kyauk-Phyoo,	6,080	—	1,36,242	91	1,36,242	6,251	1,42,413	—	—	—	1,42,413	—	79,628	—
	Ramree,	—	—	—	5,200	—	5,200	5,200	—	—	—	5,200	—	—	—
	Man-oung,	6,135	—	—	1,600	6,135	1,600	7,735	—	—	—	7,735	—	—	—
	Total	6,135	6,080	1,36,242	6,891	1,42,377	12,971	1,55,348	—	—	—	1,55,348	—	79,628	—

REMARKS.

Increase value, Rs. 75,720.

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/L.—(Concluded.)

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the undermentioned Ports in the Ramree District, during the year 1867-68.

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Grand Total.	
	Quantity Tons.	Value. Rs.	Quantity. Tons.	Value. Rs.	Quantity. Tons.	Value. Rs.
MAN-OUNG.						
Paddy, ...	—	—	195 3	6,135	195 3	6,135

REPORT

ON THE TRADE AND CUSTOMS OF THE PEGU DIVISION OF BRITISH BURMA, FOR THE YEAR 1867-68.

1. The Trade of this Division as shown by the several Returns and Reports, which are herewith appended, exhibits a very satisfactory increase during the last year.

2. The total value of the goods which have passed through the Custom House was Rupees 736,25,773 to Rupees 552,41,709 of the previous official year—giving an apparent increase of Rupees 183,84,064.

3. No Inland Customs were levied. The total amount of Customs realized at the Sea-ports of Rangoon and Bassein was Rupees 14,08,045, as compared with Rs. 7,82,854 of the preceding year, or Rs. 6,25,191 in excess of the same.

CUSTOM HOUSE.	Amount of Duty 1866-67.	Amount of Duty 1867-68.	Increase.
RANGOON,	6,86,985	12,25,288	5,38,303
BASSEIN,	95,869	1,82,757	86,888

4. As the preceding year was, owing to the changes of style, however, one of only 11 months instead of 12, the increase may be taken as not more than say 5½ lakhs of Rupees.

SEA CUSTOMS.

5. The value of Exports and Imports were as compared with 1866-67 :—

EXPORTS.		1866-67.	1867-68.	Increase.
		Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.
RANGOON,	...	188,84,251	197,08,976	8,24,725
BASSEIN,	...	13,33,931	15,74,681	2,40,750
Total .		202,18,182	212,83,657	11,65,475
IMPORTS.		1866-67.	1867-68.	Increase.
RANGOON,	...	219,69,654	266,84,740	47,15,086
BASSEIN,	...	1,63,671	2,05,886	42,215
Total..		221,33,325	268,90,626	47,57,301

6. The Reports of the Collectors of Sea Customs of Rangoon and Bassein set forth in detail the several articles, the trade in which has increased or decreased.

7.

EXPORTS BY SEA.

			INCREASE.		DECREASE.		
			Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.	
1	Copper, ...	Mds.	499	7,658	...	...	Net.
2	Cotton, raw, ..	"	...	...	11,060	2,94,192	
3	Cutch, ...	"	80,712	8,57,297	...	...	
4	Indes, ...	No.	73,087	58,128	...	...	
5	Horns, ...	"	9,686	4,283	...	...	
6	Ivory, ...	Mds.	128	81,176	...	...	Net.
7	Jade Stones, ...	"	3,761	3,04,725	...	...	
8	Lead, ...	"	5,417	54,445	...	...	
9	Orpiment, Yellow, ..	"	...	...	755	15,109	
10	Petroleum, ...	"	...	...	2,340	18,817	
11	Rice and Paddy, Tons		65,754	23,73,794	...	...	Net.
12	Stones, precious, Rs.		...	...	...	13,315	
13	Stick-lac, ...	Mds.	...	...	45	8,986	Net.
14	Timber, ...	Tons	...	...	1,771	1,45,631	
15	Tobacco, ...	Mds.	...	...	2,513	41,756	Net.
16	Treasure,						
A	for Government, Rs.		...	6,000	...	...	
B	for Private Parties, ..		...	...	...	27,27,747	
17	All other Arti- cles not enu- merated.	} Value	...	5,76,522	...	...	

8. In explanation of the decrease in Cotton exported, Mr. Edwards (Rangoon) remarks, that the supply which usually found its way from Ava to our markets for exportation appears to have been diverted towards China during the past year.

9. This is probably the case, but a large quantity may also be used up in our own territories.

10. The Returns from Thayet-myo and Toung-oo (our

two frontier Stations) gives the following as the Imports from Burma for the past years in raw Cotton -

	THANLYN		LOUNG-LOO	
	Maunds	Value	Maund	Value
1864-65,	38,647	6 15 723	52	1,320
1865-66,	24 106	3 75 900	1	30
1866-67,	9 821	1,07 695	119	921
1867-68,	19 681	2 70 369	538	1,538

11. The Exports for Rangoon and Bassin being -

	RANGOON		PASSIR	
	Maunds	Value	Maunds	Value
1864-65	75 358	21 23 221	107	1 875
1865-66,	66 613	15 86 717	9 342	2 3192
1866-67,	13 049	8 67 961	2 082	9 7 87
1867-68	33 285	5,80 032	786	3 527

12. From the above it would appear that, during the three preceding years, Cotton *Home growth*, had been exported in round figures -

In 1864-65	Maunds 37 000
1865-66	, 33 000
, 1866-67	, 33,000

While in 1867-68, the proportion of Home grown (not imported,) Cotton came to only about 13,000 maunds. It is thus evident that either our Cotton crops have fallen off considerably, which I am not aware of, or else that our people have retained their Cotton for their own consumption.

13. *Cutch.* The Exports were

			1866-67	1867-68	Increase	Decrease
RANGOON,	...	Mds	69 829	1 50,768	80 939	.
BASSLIN,	...	"	307	80		226
Total			70,136	1 50,848	Net 80 713	

14. The very large increase in exports from Rangoon is ascribed to the duty being taken off by Act XVII of last year. The apparent falling off in Bassein does not require much explanation.

Cutch is manufactured up-country, and as an article of export finds its way to the Rangoon market in preference to that of Bassein.

15. *Petroleum*.—In Rangoon a decrease of 3,959 maunds.

In Bassein an increase of 1,619 maunds.

The decrease is said to be due to the American Oil being preferred to that obtainable from Burma.

16. *Rice and Paddy.*

		1866-67.	1867-68.	Increase.
RANGOON,	Tons, .	1,07,859	1,63,112	55,283
BASSEIN,		26,689	37,160	10,471
	Total	1,34,548	2,00,302	65,754

17. The average price of Cargo Rice during the year was—

At Rangoon,	...	...	110 Rupees.
„ Bassein,	..	..	124½ „

18. In *Timber* the Exports have been—

		1866-67.	1867-68.	
From RANGOON,	Tons, .	19,223	17,423	
„ BASSEIN,		24	50	
	Total .	19,247	17,473	Decrease. 1,774

19. Mr. Edwards' remarks are that the Timber trade remains dull; that there has been a slightly enhanced demand for the Europe markets—the falling off being in the Ports subject to the Government of India.

20. *Statement Z*, both for the Province and also severally for the Ports of Rangoon and Bassein, shows the places to which the grain and timber exported went.

21. Mr. Wells, the Master Attendant of Bassein, offers some remarks on the grain markets, which may be read with interest.

22. His calculations are based on the year 1867-68, as compared with the preceding full twelve months.

23. The causes of increase and decrease in the other articles of Exports will be found detailed in the Reports submitted, and do not appear to require further notice.

IMPORTS BY SEA.

	INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
1 Betel-nuts, .. Mds	23,885		...	1,18,144
2 Cotton Twist & Yarn, lbs	10,54,880	9,58,309	...	...
3 Crockery-ware, .. Rs	...		...	33,497
4 Cutlery, .. "		8,705	...	...
5 Gunny Bags, .. No	4,81,962	1,15,635	...	...
6 Hardware, .. Rs	...	7,034	...	...
7 Piece Goods, Cotton, Pieces	4,58,989	1,87,374	...	...
8 Do Silk, .. "	96,608	6,95,783	...	...
9 Do Woollen, .. "	14,933	15,471	...	...
10 Silk, raw, .. lbs.	...	...	35,269	1,82,286
11 Spirituous Liquors, Galls	18,281	70,586	...	...
12 Sugar, ... Mds	5,216	45,379	...	...
13 Timber, ... Tons			296	35,489
14 Tobacco, ... Mds			2,315	4,79,079
15 Treasure,				
A for Government, ...	...	...	...	...
B for Private Parties,	...	11,961	...	...
16 Wines, Beer, &c, ... Gals	86,472	1,51,174	...	...
17 All other Articles not enumerated above, } Rs.	...	16,52,533	...	...

24. The decrease it will be observed were in Betel-nut, Crockery-ware, raw Silk, Timber and Tobacco. In respect to the last, the Rangoon Customs Officer ascribes it to an overstock in the market, and bases the assumption on the excessive quantity imported the previous year.

RANGOON, ..	1865-66, ...Mds.	59,736	9	Decrease 41,367.
	1866-67, ...	1,29,738	0	
	1867-68, ...	87,372	0	

25. The decrease in Betel-nuts is explained by the supposition that the market is obtaining supplies from other sources.

26. The increase in *Gunny Bags* is noted as predicative of a good season.

27. I have now to notice the tonnage of the vessels by which the Merchandise of our Sea-ports is brought or carried to other countries.

	1866-67.		1867-68.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage	Vessels.	Tonnage
FROM RANGOON, ...	532	2,18,779	592	2,61,416
„ BASSEIN, ...	80	21,737	98	33,749
Total..	612	2,43,516	690	2,95,165

This shows an apparent increase of 78 vessels, and of 51,649 tons in the 12 months 1st April 1867 to 31st March 1868, over the 11 months, 1st May 1866 to 31st March 1867, according to the Collector of Customs' reports.

28. But on the number and tonnage of vessels visiting the Ports of Rangoon and Bassein I have already reported in my annual papers submitting the Port Fund Statements as rendered by the several Master Attendants. These I have not by me at present to refer to.

29. I next proceed to notice the amount of our Inland trade; according to the statistics kept by the *Ex-officio* Customs' Officers at Thayet-myo (on the Irrawaddy) and Toung-oo.

30. The value of the Exports and Imports were :—

EXPORTS.	1866-67. Rupees.	1867-68. Rupees.	Increase	Decrease.
THAYET-MYO, ...	61,73,319	138,23,069	73,49,750	...
TOUNG-OO, ..	7,88,372	9,58,109	1,74,737	...
Total .	72,56,691	147,81,178	75,24,487	...
IMPORTS.	1866-67. Rupees.	1867-68. Rupees.	Increase.	Decrease.
THAYET-MYO, ...	47,01,379	98,09,843	51,08,464	...
TOUNG-OO, ..	9,32,132	8,60,469	...	71,668
Total..	56,33,511	106,70,312	51,08,464	...
Total of both...	128,90,202	254,51,490	126,32,951	...
Net Increase .	...	..	125,61,288	...

31. The increase and decrease in each article of Exports were—

EXPORTS BY LAND.

	INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity	Value.
1 Betel-nut, ... Mds.	9,941	...	...	11,490
2 Cotton Twist, ... lbs.	10,91,534	8,70,892	...	...
3 Crockery-ware, ... Rs.	...	13,913	...	...
4 Ngapee & Dried Fish, Mds.	76,552	5,37,594	...	...
5 Piece Goods, Cotton, Pieces	2,64,806	13,00,661	...	...
6 Do. Silk, ... "	64,924	6,62,503	...	...
7 Do. Woollen, ... "	9,110	2,22,143	...	...
8 Rice and Paddy, ... Tons,	79,093	32,24,187	...	...
9 Salt, ... Mds.	22,449	15,580	...	...
10 Silk, raw, ... lbs.	31,699	1,97,613	...	...
11 All other Articles not enumerated above, } Rs.	...	4,90,892	...	...

32. The increase and decrease in the Export of Betel-nut is thus shown :—

	1866-67.		1867-68.		INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
THAYET-MYO, Mds.	24,889	3,22,182	36,289	3,34,780	10,400	12,598	—	—
TOUNG-OO, " "	8,119	1,27,600	7,660	1,03,512	—	—	459	24,088
Total	—	—	—	—	10,400	12,598	459	24,088
Net	—	—	—	—	9,941	—	—	11,490

The falling off in Toung-oo is ascribed to the market last year being glutted.

33. The Returns show an uniform increase in the Exports at Thayet-myo.

In Toung-oo there has been a decrease (besides in Betel-nut) of Ngapce, Woollen goods and Salt.

34. The increase in Export of Cotton Twist, Cotton Piece Goods and Rice and Paddy has been considerable.

In Cotton Twist it was—

In Thayet-myo in 1866-67,	...	Lbs.	7,54,340
" " 1867-68,	...	"	18,29,940
Increase...10,75,600			
In Toung-oo in 1866-67,	...	Lbs.	14,561
" " 1867-68,	...	"	30,495
Increase ..15,934			

In Cotton Piece Goods—

In Thayet-myo in 1866-67,	...	Pieces	1,66,733
" " 1867-68,	...	"	8,92,590
Increase.. 2,25,857			
In Toung-oo in 1866-67,	...	Pieces	98,786
" " 1867-68,	...	"	1,37,785
Increase...38,949			

In Rice and Paddy—

In Thayet-myo in 1866-67, ...	Tons	21,372
" " 1867-68, ...	"	1,00,210
Increase ..		78,838

In Toung-oo in 1866 67, ...	Tons	0
" " 1867-68, ...	"	255

35. Major Munro considers the above to have resulted from the lowering of Customs levied in Upper Burma from 10 to 5 per cent, under the Treaty, and the impetus given to trade in consequence.

36. IMPORTS BY LAND.

	INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value
- 1 Copper, ... Mds.			419	9,175
2 Cotton, raw, ... "	10,019	1,63,378	..	...
3 Cutch, ... "	56,942	2,04,099	...	...
4 Dyes, ... "	1,725	11,585	...	...
5 Earthenware, ... Rs.	...	13,486	...	...
6 Gold Leaf, ... Packets	722	...	..	4,398
7 Grain, .. Mds	65,903	83,288	...	...
8 Hardware and Cutlery, Rs.	..	8,057	...	...
9 Hides, Bullock & Buffalo, ..	36,880	8,504	...	...
10 Horns, ... "	180	114	..	...
11 Indigo, ... Mds.	...	..	116	328
12 Jaggery and Molasses, ..	1,12,428	3,26,511	...	...
13 Lacquered-ware, ... Rs.	..	1,22,288	...	..
14 Lead, ... Mds.	24,261	57,401	..	...
15 Metal-ware, ... Rs.	...	...	...	15,265
16 Orpiment, Yellow, ... Mds	...	...	4,293	38,234
17 Petroleum, ... "	38,187	67,942	..	...
18 Piece Goods, Cotton, ... Pieces	4,06,036	3,36,140	...	..
19 do. Silk, ... "	12,642	18,722	...	...
20 Ponies, ... No.	430	31,517	...	...
21 Rough Jade Stone, .. Mds.	637	22,225	...	...
22 Sessamum Oil, ... "	10,522	99,550	..	...
23 Stick-lac, ... "	3,664	28,564	...	...
24 Stones, precious, ... Rs.	...	25,334	...	...
25 Sugar, ... Mds.	2	11	...	...
26 Tea, dry, ... "	739	8,344	...	...
27 Tea, wet, pickled, ... "	12,998	1,00,773	...	...
28 Timber, ... Tons	...	...	2,556	90,066
29 Tobacco, ... Mds.	2,374	9,025	...	...
30 Wheat, ... "	1,574	7,368	...	...
31 All other Articles not enumerated above, } Rs.	...	34,39,306	...	...

The decrease has been in Thayet-myo in Copper, Gold Leaf, Metal-ware, Yellow Orpiment, Ponies and Stick-lac.

In Tong-oo in Gold Leaf, Hardware, Hides, Lacquered-ware, Lead, Silk Piece Goods, Precious Stones, Timber, Wheat and Sundries.

The falling off in Timber is thus shown :—

Thayet-myo, 1866-67,	...	Tons	2,890
„ 1867-68,	...	„	4,563
Increase ..			<u>1,673</u>
Toung-oo, 1866-67,...	...	Tons	7,240
„ 1867-68, .	...	„	3,011
Decrease...			<u>4,229</u>

Net decrease as shown above 2,556 tons. This decrease appears from the report of the Deputy Commissioner, Toung-oo, to have been caused by some misunderstanding with the Burmese Government in the working of the Ningyan forests.

The increase in Silk goods imported at Thayet-myo, valued at Rupees 69,757, was nearly balanced by a falling off at Toung-oo of imports in the same article to the value of Rupees 51,035, owing chiefly to a change in the duty at Ningyan. The imports of Lacquered-ware also decreased by Rupees 14,071 in value at Toung-oo, owing to the disturbances in the Shan country.

The increase in raw Cotton, Piece Goods, Cutch, Jaggery and Molasses and Sundries has been considerable; also in Lacquered-ware via Thayet-myo.

Treaty Goods.—Mr. Edwards gives the following comparison :—

1866-67,	...	Value	5,322	0	0
1867-68,	...	„	50,127	12	0
Increase ..			<u>44,805</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>0</u>

The Reports and Returns of the several Customs Officers are sent up in original.

I beg to notice with much satisfaction the services of Mr. R. S. Edwards, Collector of Customs, Rangoon, and of Mr. Geo. Wells, Collector of Customs, Bassein, and to commend them to the Chief Commissioner.

44. Major Munro, Assistant Commissioner, and Major McMahon, Deputy Commissioner, *Ex-officio* Customs Officers at Thayet-myo and Toung-oo, deserve favorable mention for the extra duty which they have performed and the intelligent reports submitted by them.

R. D. ARDAGH,
Commissioner of Pegu.

X.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom Hou.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
			To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To Ports with in the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Copper, .	Mds.	819	21,228	—	—	4	225	823	21
2	Cotton, raw,	..	1,128	13,893	32,776	5,68,875	167	791	34,071	5,83.
3	Cutch,	..	44,641	3,66,061	1,07,436	8,40,336	771	6,572	1,50,848	12,12
4	Hides,	No.	1,959	2,249	1,01,594	1,09,518	9,454	6,659	1,13,007	1,18
5	Horns,	..	—	—	46,223	13,501	—	—	46,223	13
6	Ivory,	Mds.	164	42,930	26	7,060	11	2,500	201	52
7	Jade Stones,	..	40	4,000	4,285	3,57,050	30	3,000	4,355	3,61
8	Lead,	..	5,760	55,483	881	8,000	115	1,172	6,756	64
9	Orpiment, Yellow,	..	807	20,150	—	—	—	—	807	20
10	Petroleum,	..	4,820	13,207	1,312	3,388	7,981	22,293	14,113	38
11	Rice and Paddy,	Tons	32,017	16,72,841	1,67,920	80,96,623	365	17,228	2,00,302	97,86
12	Stones, Precious,	Rs.	—	2,19,910	—	3,700	—	4,800	—	2,28
13	Stick-lac,	Mds.	2,173	20,555	743	8,727	55	454	2,971	29
14	Timber,	Tons	12,757	6,90,821	3,496	1,98,126	1,220	59,881	17,473	9,48
15	Tobacco,	Mds.	1,883	19,651	280	6,006	4,035	44,749	6,198	70
16	Treasure,									
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	60,000	—	60
	B for Private Parties,	..	—	25,81,185	—	1,71,128	—	15,23,876	—	42,76
17	All other Articles not enumerated above.	..	—	7,86,720	—	3,42,173	—	22,64,362	—	33,93
Total Rs.				65,30,884		107,34,211		40,18,562		212,83

in the Pegu Division of British Burma, during the official year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.			
		From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma		From Foreign or External Ports subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.	
		Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
Betel-nut,	Mds	82,771	8,50,261	36,350	1,83,431
Cotton Twist and Yarn,	Lbs	10,24,250	10,76,987	16,08,660	18,52,013
Crockery-ware,	No	—	6,773	—	1,06,909
Cutlery,	..	—	1,07,107	—	3,697
Gunny Bags,	..	22,33,100	6,76,666	33,825	9,455
Hardware,	..	—	1,30,341	—	43,025
Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	4,54,008	26,37,852	7,05,882	18,76,842
Do. Silk,	..	1,98,570	12,54,644	1,70,261	8,55,348
Do. Woollen,	..	18,526	6,99,161	17,472	1,78,251
Silk, raw,	Lbs.	36,956	3,02,660	19,537	1,35,638
Spirituons Liquors,	Galls	11,881	79,880	47,517	2,91,407
Sugar,	Mds	8,873	1,21,627	10,858	93,356
Timber,	Tons	—	—	39	1,595
Tobacco,	Mds.	85,725	9,89,471	484	21,282
Treasure.					
A for Government,	Rs	—	—	—	—
B for Private Parties,	..	—	58,74,101	—	5,43,818
Wines, Beer, &c.,	Galls.	23,352	84,805	3,17,091	5,88,225
All other Articles not enumerated above,	Rs.	—	25,64,897	—	32,82,147
Total			154,56,736		100,66,442

X.--(Concluded.)

Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import entered at the Sea Custom House in the Pegu Division of British Burma, during the official year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.				Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
			From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.		
			Quantity.	Value Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	
1	Betel-nut, ...	Mds.	9,314	63,001	1,28,435	10,96,693	
2	Cotton Twist and Yarn, . .	lbs.	29,385	32,852	26,62,295	29,61,852	
3	Crockery ware, ...	No.	—	812	—	1,14,494	
4	Cutlery, ...	„	—	1,600	—	1,12,404	
5	Gunny Bags, ...	„	73,032	29,910	23,49,962	7,16,031	
6	Hardware, ...	„	—	4,133	—	1,77,499	
7	Piece Goods, Cotton, ...	Pieces	26,376	1,52,872	11,86,266	46,67,066	
8	Do. Silk, ...	„	7,398	65,665	3,76,232	21,75,657	
9	Do. Woollen, ...	„	455	54,548	36,453	9,31,963	
10	Silk, raw, ...	lbs.	3,641	17,512	60,134	4,55,810	
11	Spirituos Liquors, ...	Galls.	60	696	59,488	3,71,983	
12	Sugar, ...	Mds	10,693	63,315	30,424	2,78,328	
13	Timber, ...	Tons	2,853	1,54,570	5,292	1,56,165	
14	Tobacco, ...	Mds.	4,639	58,974	90,848	10,69,727	
15	Treasure, ...						
	A for Government, ...	Rs.	—	—	—	—	
	B for Private Parties, ...	„	—	68,360	—	44,86,282	
16	Wines, Beer, &c.	Galls.	864	3,718	3,41,307	6,76,748	
17	All other Articles not enumerated above, ...	Rs.	—	5,94,880	—	64,41,924	
	Total Rs.			13,67,448		268,90,626	481,74

Y.

Abstract, value of Exports and Imports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom Houses of the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, ending 31st March 1868, with amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To and from Foreign or External Ports subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.
RANGOON,	64,73,381	153,62,244	92,41,107	100,39,344	39,94,488	12,83,152	197,08,976	266,84,740
BASSEIN,	57,503	94,492	14,93,104	27,098	24,074	84,296	15,74,681	2,05,886
TOTAL BY SEA	65,30,884	154,56,736	107,34,211	100,66,442	40,18,562	13,67,448	212,83,657	268,90,626
THAYET-MYO,	—	—	—	—	—	—	138,23,069	98,09,842
TOUNG-OO,	—	—	—	—	—	—	9,58,109	8,60,468
TOTAL BY LAND.	—	—	—	—	—	—	147,81,178	106,70,310
GRAND TOTAL	65,30,884	154,56,736	107,34,211	100,66,442	40,18,562	13,67,448	360,64,835	375,60,936

Y. (Concluded,

Abstract value of Exports and Imports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom Houses of the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, ending 31st March 1868, with amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	Total value for each Custom House.	Amount of Duty realized.	Total value for each Custom House in previous year.	Total amount of Duty in previous year.	IMPORTS ON ACCOUNT OF GOVERNMENT.	
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
PEGU.	RANGOON,	463,93,716	12,25,288	408,53,905	6,86,985	Commissariat Stores,	1,72,
						Engineering Stores,	3,07,8
						Machinery,	17,0
						Marine Stores,	4
						Military Stores,	7,5
						Opium,	1,62,0
						Ordnance,	8
						Stationery,	7,2
						Telegraph Stores,	64,9
						Jail Stores,	6,5
						Police Stores,	2,1
						Total Rupees	7,49,2
PEGU.	TOTAL BY SEA	481,74,283	14,08,045	423,51,507	7,82,854	RECEIPTS NOT INCLUDED, WITH AMOUNT OF DUTY.	
	THAYET-MYO,	236,32,912	--	111,74,698	--	Amount of Confiscations,	3,7
						Do. of Fees,	
	TOUNG-OO,	18,18,78	--	17,15,504	--	Do. of Fines,	3,2
						Do. of Bd. Warehouse Rent,	3,4
						Do. of Wharf Godown Rent,	2,3
	TOTAL BY LAND.	254,51,490	--	128,90,202	--	Do. Sale of Forms,	
PEGU.						Do. charge of excess period of extra Preventive Officers,	4
	GRAND TOTAL.	736,25,773	14,08,045	552,41,709	7,82,854	Total Rupees	13,4

Z.

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom Houses in the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the official year 1867-68, ending 31st March 1868, excluding fractions

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.								To Home or In- ternal Ports sub- ject to the Go- vernment of In- dia, but exclud- ing the Straits and Aden and Ports of British Burma.	
		United Kingdom.		Foreign Europe.		Straits Settle- ment.		To all other Foreign Ports.			
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
		Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.		
RANGOON,	Rice,	1,15,733	58,34,162	4,727	2,32,680	6,591	3,25,762	2,068	1,10,194	21,697	13,60,348
	Paddy,	1,915	52,740	--	--	130	4,223	1,422	44,436	8,491	2,62,273
	Timber,	1,767	1,10,648	8	480	269	13,575	1,452	73,423	12,720	6,89,071
BASSEIN,	Rice,	35,161	14,85,031	--	--	170	7,395	--	--	222	7,811
	Paddy,	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,604	42,109
	Timber,	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	37	1,750
TOTAL BY SEA,	Rice,	1,50,897	73,19,193	4,727	2,32,680	6,761	3,33,157	2,068	1,10,194	21,919	13,68,159
	Paddy,	1,915	52,740	--	--	130	4,223	1,422	44,436	10,098	3,04,682
	Timber,	1,767	1,10,648	8	480	269	13,575	1,452	73,423	12,757	6,90,821
THAYEF-MYO,	Rice,	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Paddy,	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TOUNG OO,	Rice,	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Paddy,	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TOTAL BY LAND,	Rice,	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Paddy,	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
GRAND TOTAL	Rice,	1,50,897	73,19,193	4,727	2,32,680	6,761	3,33,157	2,068	1,10,194	21,919	13,68,159
	Paddy,	1,915	52,740	--	--	130	4,223	1,422	44,436	10,098	3,04,682
	Timber,	1,767	1,10,648	8	480	269	13,575	1,452	73,423	12,757	6,90,821

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Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom Houses in the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the official year 1867-68, ending 31st March 1868, excluding fractions.

Number.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Ports within the Territories of British Bur- ma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Total by Land.		Grand Total by Sea and Land.		
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	
		Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	
1	RANGOON,	Rice,	364	17,153	1,51,180	78,80,299	—	—	1,51,180	78,80,299
		Paddy,	1	75	11,962	3,63,747	—	—	11,962	3,63,747
		Timber,	1,207	59,115	17,423	9,46,312	—	—	17,423	9,46,312
2	BASSEIN,	Rice,	—	—	35,556	15,00,237	—	—	35,556	15,00,237
		Paddy,	—	—	1,604	42,409	—	—	1,604	42,409
		Timber,	13	766	50	2,516	—	—	50	2,516
	TOTAL BY SEA,	Rice,	364	17,153	1,86,736	93,80,536	—	—	1,86,736	93,80,536
		Paddy,	1	75	13,566	4,06,156	—	—	13,566	4,06,156
		Timber,	1,220	59,881	17,473	9,48,828	—	—	17,473	9,48,828
3	THAYET-MYO,	Rice,	—	—	—	—	17,846	13,03,996	17,846	13,03,996
		Paddy,	—	—	—	—	82,576	29,25,969	82,576	29,25,969
		Timber,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	TOUNG-OO,	Rice,	—	—	—	—	43	3,598	43	3,598
		Paddy,	—	—	—	—	212	7,370	212	7,370
		Timber,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TOTAL BY LAND,	Rice,	—	—	—	—	17,889	13,03,996	17,889	13,03,996
		Paddy,	—	—	—	—	82,576	29,25,969	82,576	29,25,969
		Timber,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	GRAND TOTAL,	Rice,	364	17,153	1,86,736	93,80,536	17,889	13,03,996	2,04,625	106,84,532
		Paddy,	1	75	13,566	4,06,156	82,576	29,25,969	96,142	33,32,125
		Timber,	1,220	59,881	17,473	9,48,828	—	—	17,473	9,48,828

From R. S. EDWARDS, Esq., Collector of Customs, to Lieut.-Colonel R. D. ARPAUGH, Commissioner of Pegu,—No. 27 of 1868-69, dated Rangoon, the 22nd April 1868.

I HAVE the honor to submit my Annual Report of the

Sea-borne Trade which has been carried on through the Rangoon Custom House during the year 1867-68, accompanied with the usual Returns as noted in the margin.

Nos. 1 to 3. X. Y. Z. Statements for 1867-68.

Not printed.

No. 4. Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for 1867-68.

No. 5. Comparative Statement of Exports and Imports for 1866-67 and 1867-68.

Nos. 6 and 7. A. and B. Statements of goods included in Return X. declared for exportation by the Irrawaddy into the Burmese territory and beyond, for 1867-68

Not printed.

No. 8. Statement Exports of Cotton from Rangoon for 1867-68.

No. 9. Statement of Salt Imported into Rangoon for 1867-68.

No. 10. Tonnage Statement.

No. 11 A.

" 12 B.

" 13 C.

" 14 D.

Not forwarded.

The following is the result of the Export and Import trade, and of Customs receipts for the year 1867-68 as compared with 1866-67 :—

Years.	Exports.	Imports.	Total.	Customs Receipts.
1867-68,	197,08,976 7	266,84,739 8	463,93,715 15	12,38,849. 1
1866-67,	188,84,251 0	219,69,654 0	408,53,905 0	6,96,065 0
Increase,	8,24,725 7	47,15,085 8	55,39,810 15	5,42,784 1

These are gratifying facts, after a period of depression, such as that recorded in my last report.

The Customs Receipts in the above table include Confiscations, Fines, Wharfage, &c., amounting to Rupees 13,561-5, as detailed below :—

Years.	Confiscations and Fines.	Wharf Godown Reht.	Bonded Warehouse Rent.	Miscellaneous.	Fee for Preventive Officers for extra periods.	Total
1867-68, ..	7,002	2,364 5	3,482 8	237 8	475	13,561 5
1866-67, ...	1,015	2,327 0	3,902 0	520 0	717	9,082 0
Increase...	5,987	37 5	...	...	...	4,479 5
Decrease ..	...	...	449 8	282 8	242	...

I now beg to append a brief account of the principal articles entered for Export in 1867-68 :—

Copper.—The quantity exported has been maunds 823½ valued at Rs. 21,452-10 against maunds 323½ valued at Rs. 13,795, showing an increase of maunds 499½ and Rs. 7,657-10 over the year 1866-67.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 823½	21,452 10
1866-67, ...	... 323½	13,795 0
Increase .		499½ 7,657 10

Cotton, raw.—I have to note again the continued falling off in the exportation of Cotton. Much of this raw product which usually found its way from Ava to our markets for exportation appears to have been directed towards China during the past year. For 1867-68 the quantity exported was maunds 33,284½ of the value of Rs. 5,80,032-13 against maunds 43,019 and Rs. 8,67,963 in the previous year.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 33,284½	5,80,032 13
1866-67, ...	.. 43,019	8,67,963 15
Decrease ..		9,764½ 2,87,931 2

Cutch.—The export of this commodity has very much increased since the duty was taken off it under the new Act XVII of 6th March 1867. The value of (dutiabie) Cutch exported to Foreign ports in 1866-67 was Rs. 2,85,045-10 only. After it became free it rose to Rs. 8,10,194-4.

Year.	Maunds	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	.. 1,50,767½	12,12,367 11
1866-67, ...	... 69,828½	3,51,062 2
Increase .		80,938½ 8,58,305 9

Hides.—In the year 1867-68 the quantity of Hides exported was 1,13,007 in number and Rs. 11,84,259 in value,

being an increase over the previous year of 73,087 in number and Rs. 58,127-3; as shown below ; attributable to the supplies brought down from Upper Burma which replenished the Hide market here.

Years.	No.	Rupees
1867-68, ..	1,13,007	1,18,125 9
1866-67,...	39,920	60,297 12
Increase .	73,087	58,127 13

Horns.—A small increase will be observed in Horns. In 1867-68 we have 46,223 valued at Rs. 13,501-4 against 36,537 and Rs. 9,217-5 in 1866-67.

Years	No.	Rupees.
1867-68, ..	46,223	13,501 4
1866-67, ..	36,537	9,217 15
Increase..	9,686	4,283 5

Ivory.—Also a large increase in Ivory as compared with the preceding year.

Years	Maunds.	Rupees
1867-68, ..	201	52,190
1866-67, .	72 1	18,311
Increase.	128 1	34,176

Jade Stones.—The exportation of this article has considerably improved since the removal of the duty hitherto levied thereon. Much of it finds its way back from China worked up into ornaments which are highly appreciated amongst the people of this and adjoining territories.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	4,354 1	3,61,050
1866-67, ...	593 1	59,325
Increase ..	3,761 1	3,04,725

Lead.—Maunds 6,756 valued at Rs. 64,655—were exported in 1867-68, against maunds 1,339 and Rs. 10,210 in the preceding year, showing the considerable increase of maunds 5,417 and Rs. 54,445-1 as detailed below.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ..	... 6,756	64,655 1
1866-67,...	... 1,339	10,210 0
	Increase 5,417	54,445 1

Orpiment, Yellow.—There is a decrease in this commodity as compared with the past year. The entire quantity here mentioned was entered for export to the Home ports subject to the Government of India.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 807	20,150 0
1866-67, ...	... 1,562	35,259 8
	Decrease 755	15,109 8

Petroleum.—The exportation of Petroleum to Foreign ports has always been small, owing to the preference that is naturally given to oil of American extraction. What is exported from hence is principally taken for consumption to the other divisions of British Burma, or to British Indian ports. As compared with 1866-67, there is a decrease in the present year of maunds 3,958½ valued at Rs. 22,215-14.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 11,983½	33,879 13
1866-67, ...	... 15,942	56,095 11
	Decrease... 3,958½	22,215 14

Rice and Paddy.—Our exports in grain, notwithstanding the extra duty put upon it, in the early part of the year, have amounted to 1,63,141½ tons valued at Rs. 82,44,046-11. Of this quantity it may be mentioned that tons 1,32,586½

valued at Rs. 66,04,197-4 were duty paying cargoes against tons 76,728½, only valued at Rs. 43,82,971-9 in the preceding year. The general results of exports in this staple for 1867-68 show an increase of tons 55,282 and Rs. 21,38,109-3 as detailed below.

Years.	Tons.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 163,141½	82,44,046 11
1866-67, ...	... 107,859	61,05,937 8
Increase.. 55,282		21,38,109 3

The average price in 1867-68, of Clean Rice per 100 baskets was Rs. 188—of Cargo Rice Rs. 140—and Paddy Rs. 70. The rates are very favorable when compared with 1866-67.

Precious Stones.—The value of Precious Stones this year was Rs. 2,28,410 against Rs. 2,41,725 in the previous one, showing a decrease of Rs. 13,315.

Years.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	2,28,410
1866-67, ...	2,41,725
Decrease ..13,315	

Stick-lac.—A small decrease will also be observed in this article.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 2,971½	29,735 9
1866-67, ...	... 3,016	38,721 12
Decrease...44½		8,986 3

Timber.—The Timber trade continues dull; but there has been a slightly enhanced demand for the Europe markets; the falling off is in the Home ports subject to the Government of India.

Years.	Tons.	Rupees.
1867-68,...	... 17,423	9,46,312 0
1866-67,...	... 19,222½	10,93,298 14
Decrease...1,799½		1,46,986 14

Tobacco.—A decrease to the extent of maunds 2,514 $\frac{3}{4}$ and Rs. 41,801 has taken place in Tobacco; which is caused by the exports having been less in this year to our own ports within British Burma.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68,...	... 6,196 $\frac{1}{2}$	70,360 12
1866-67,...	... 8,711 $\frac{1}{4}$	1,12,162 5
	Decrease.. 2,514 $\frac{3}{4}$	41,801 9

Treasure.—The item of Rs. 60,000 under this head was a remittance to Maulmain on account of Government purposes.

The amount of Treasure exported by private parties in 1867-68 was Rs. 42,76,189 only, and is a decrease of Rs. 27,27,747-8 as compared with the preceding year:

Years.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	42,76,189 0
1866-67, ...	70,03,936 8
	Decrease ..27,27,747 8

Sundries.—The value of Sundries and all other Articles not enumerated above was Rs. 5,68,989-8 more in 1867-68 than in the preceding year.

Years.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	33,72,917 10
1866-67, ...	28,03,928 2
	Increase . 5,68,989 8

On the whole the past year has proved more prosperous than 1866-67, there having been an increase in almost all the principal Articles of Export. The total value for the year amounts to Rs. 1,97,08,976-7, exhibiting an increase of Rs. 8,24,725-7.

Years.			Rupees.
1867-68,	...	...	1,97,08,976 7
1866-67,	...	...	1,88,81,251 0

Increase...8,24,725 7

Export Revenue.—The amount collected under this head is shown below, and presents a favorable contrast to that of the preceding year, which it exceeds by Rs. 3,96,610-4.

Years.			Rupees
1867-68,	...	...	7,12,027 4
1866-67,	...	...	3,15,417 0

Increase.. 3,96,610 4

Import Revenue.—The declared value of Imports during 1867-68 has been Rs. 266,81,739-8. The duty levied amounts to Rs. 5,13,260-8, being an increase of Rs. 1,41,692 compared with 1866-67. Bearing in mind that many petty articles have been transferred to the free list, the revenue derived from this source has not been impaired.

Years.			Rupees.
1867-68,	...	...	5,13,260 8
1866-67,	...	...	3,71,567 11

Increase...1,41,692 13

Betel-nut.—There has been a larger quantity of this nut imported during the year, but a falling off in the value.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	1,23,698	10,59,001 15
1866-67, ...	98,723	11,68,208 2
Increase...24,975		...
Decrease... ..		1 09,206 3

Cotton Twist and Yarn.—The quantity of Cotton Twist and Yarn imported, is increased this year by lbs. 10,54,880. and Rs. 9,58,310-10.

Years.		Lbs.	Rupces.
1867-68, ...	...	26,62,295	29,61,852 0
1866-67, ...	...	16,07,415	20,03,542 0
Increase ..		10,54,880	9,58,309 6

Crockery-ware.—Of Crockery-ware there is Rs. 1,14,494-1 against Rs. 1,47,991-6, or a decrease of Rs. 33,497-5.

Years.			Rupces.
1867-68, ...	...	...	1,14,494 1
1866-67, ...	...	...	1,47,991 6
Decrease...			33,497 5

Cutlery.—A small increase appears in Cutlery.

Years.			Rupces.
1867-68, ...	...	...	1,12,403 14
1866-67, ...	...	...	1,03,698 8
Increase ..			8,705 6

Gunny Bags.—The preceding year closed with a decrease in the importation of Gunnies. The present year shows a large increase, the concurrent result of extensive operations in grain.

Years.		No.	Rupces.
1867-68, ...	...	23,35,462	7,14,681 8
1866-67, ...	...	18,28,120	5,90,078 0
Increase .		5,07,042	1,24,603 8

Hardware.—Rupces 1,76,874 is the value of Hardware imported in 1867-68, being a small increase over the previous year.

Years.		Rupees.
1867-68, ...	...	1,76,874 0.
1866-67, ...	...	1,70,449 12

Increase... 6,424 4

Piece Goods, Cotton.—A considerable rise in the quantity and value of Cotton Piece Goods has to be noted in the present report. It may be interesting to review the particulars of its progress through the year.

1st Quarter, ...	...	Rs 6,61,697
2nd do. ...	...	„ 14,91,736
3rd do. ...	...	„ 10,45,988
4th do ...	...	„ 14,64,258

The results as compared with 1866-67 are stated in the subjoined table :—

Years.		Pieces.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	...	11,84,963	16,63,680 10
1866-67, ...	...	7,26,664	27,92,201 3
		Increase... 4,58,299	18,71,479 7

Silk Piece Goods.—In the previous year there was a large diminution in this class of goods ; but as in the case of cotton fabrics, the year 1867-68 under report shows that there had been a considerable revival in silks.

Years.		Pieces.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	...	3,76,232	21,75,656 14
1866-67, ...	...	2,79,624	14,79,874 0
		Increase.. 96,608	6,95,782 14

Woollen Piece Goods.—In Woollen fabrics there is also an increase of 15,163 pieces and Rs. 16,008, as compared with 1866-67.

Years.		Pieces.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	...	36,452	9,31,947 14
1866-67, ...	...	21,289	9,15,939 14
		Increase... 15,163	16,008 0

Silk, raw.—The imports in raw Silk have fallen off by 35,269½ lbs. and Rs. 1,82,286-8.

Years.	lbs.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 60,133½	4,55,810 0
1866-67, ...	... 95,402½	6,38,096 8
Decrease..	35,269½	1,82,286 8

Spirits.—The quantity of Spirituous Liquors imported in 1867-68 is gallons 59,184½ valued at Rs. 3,70,528-13, and is an increase of 17,877½ gallons over the preceding year.

Years	Gallons.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 59,184½	3,70,528 13
1866-67, ...	... 41,207	3,01,397 0
Increase	17,977½	69,131 13

Wines, Beer, &c.—There was also an increase in Ale—Wines and Liqueurs imported in the year under report.

Years.	Gallons.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 3,40,871½	6,75,101 2
1866-67, ...	... 3,01,831½	5,25,573 0
Increase ..	39,039½	1,49,528 2

Sugar, &c.—A small increase will be observed in Sugar and other saccharine matter.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 30,415½	2,77,979 12
1866-67, ...	... 25,177½	2,32,918 15
Increase ..	5,238½	45,030 13

Timber.—There is a decrease of 319 tons in the quantity of Timber imported.

Years.	Tons.	Rupees.
1867-68 ...	... 2,872½	1,54,964 12
1866-67, ...	... 3,187½	1,91,653 8
Decrease ..	315	36,688 12

Tobacco.—In my last report I had occasion to draw attention to the excessive quantity of Tobacco imported in 1866-67 as compared with previous years. In the present year there is a large decrease, the effect no doubt of an overstocked market.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	.. 87,372½	10,26,327 13
1866-67, ...	.. 1,29,738½	15,05,589 14
	<u>Decrease 42,366½</u>	<u>4,79,262 1</u>

Treasure.—Treasure imported by private parties amounts to Rs. 44,47,081-8, and is a trifle in excess of the preceding year. There was none on account of Government.

Years.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	44,47,081 8
1866-67, ...	44,35,471 4
	<u>Increase...11,610 4</u>

Sundries.—All other articles which are not enumerated above have increased by Rs. 15,99,112-8, a result which must be ascribed in some measure to the reduction in 'Tariff' rates, and the removal of duties from minor articles.

The total value of imports for the year 1867-68, as compared with 1866-67, is in favor of the former by nearly half a Crore of Rupees.

Years.	Rupees
1867-68, ...	266,81,739 8
1866-67, ...	219,69,654 0
	<u>Increase.. 47,15,085 5</u>

Salt.—The duty levied on Foreign Salt in 1867-68 has amounted to Rs. 5,309-7 upon 28,312 maunds, being Rs. 3,337-7 more than 1866-67. As regards Salt imported into

Rangoon from other divisions of this Province, the quantity for 1867-68, is maunds 11,118 of the declared value of Rs. 26,418-8, against maunds 28,541 valued at 76,945 in 1866-67, that is 17,423 maunds less in the period under review. This deficiency has probably arisen from the circumstance that so much more Foreign Salt than heretofore was thrown into the market, causing a reduction in price.

Years.	Maunds.	Rupees.
1867-68, ...	... 11,118	26,418 8
1866-67, ...	... 28,541	76,945 0
	<u>Decrease . 17,423</u>	<u>50,526 8</u>

Tonnage.—The number of vessels which arrived during the present year is 599 of 2,46,854 tons burthen, and the number which cleared is 592 vessels of 2,61,416 tons. A comparative table for the past two years is appended :—

YEARS.	ENTERED.		CLEARED.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage	Vessels.	Tonnage
1867-68, ...	599	2,46,854	592	2,61,416
1866-67, ...	539	2,21,551	532	2,18,779
Increase..	60	25,303	60	42,637

Treaty Goods.—The quantity of goods imported into Rangoon and declared for Export to the Burmese Capital amounted in value to Rs. 50,127-12, upon which a duty of Rs. 501-6 was assessed. The increase as compared with 1866-67 is Rs. 44,805-12 in value.

Years.	Value.
1867-68, ...	50,127 12
1866-67, ...	5,322 0
	<u>Increase...44,805 12</u>

Besides the above, 999 pieces of Silk and Cotton Handkerchiefs, also some figured Silk, the whole being valued at Rs. 5,774-8 were declared for exportation to China via Mandalay.

The duty received upon these goods was Rs. 57-12.

The subjoined table exhibits the receipts for the years 1867-68 and 1866-67 :—

	1867-68.			1866-67.		
Export Duty, ...	7,12,027	4	...	3,15,417	...	...
Import Duty, ...	5,13,260	8	...	3,71,567	11	...
Fines and Confiscations, ...	7,002	...	...	1,015	5	...
Fees, ...	80	4	...	65	...	...
Shipping Registry Fees, ...	149	...	...	102	...	...
Wharf Godown Rent, ...	2,364	5	...	2,327	4	...
Bonded Warehouse Rent, ...	3,482	8	...	3,902	2	...
Sale of Unserviceable Stores and Unclaimed Goods, ...	...	...	...	941	15	...
Charge for Preventive Officers extra periods, ...	475	...	...	717	...	...
Miscellaneous, ...	8	4	...	10	6	...
Total..	12,38,849	1	...	6,96,065	11	...

An Abstract Statement of Disbursements is also given below, from which it will be seen that the cost of Establishments, &c. amounts to Rs. 67,434-4, leaving a surplus of Rs. 11,71,414-13 to the credit of Government :—

	1867-68.			1866-67.		
Salaries, ...	46,932	...	...	41,293	14	...
Contingencies, ...	14,140	4	...	13,221	5	...
Drawbacks, ...	170	10	...	233	14	...
Refunds, ...	3,936	3	...	1,363	1	...
Rewards, ...	2,255	3	...	329	15	...
	67,434	4	...	56,442	1	...
Balance remitted to the Bank of Bengal, ...	11,71,414	13	...	6,39,623	10	...
Total...	12,38,849	1	...	6,96,065	11	...

Confiscations and Fines.—During 1867-68 the Fines and Confiscations inflicted for breaches of the Customs Laws amount to Rs. 7,002.

Transhipped Goods.—Rupees 51,281-1 have been paid as duty on transhipped goods.

Bonded Warehouse.—Rent charged for goods lodged in the Bonded Warehouse comes to Rs. 290-3 per month.

Years.			Rupees.
1867-68,	...	...	3,482 8
1866 67,	...	.	3,902 2
			Decrease ..419 10

Wharf Godowns.—The amount realized as rent for these Godowns was Rs. 197-1 per month.

Years			Rupees
1867-68,	...	..	2,364 5
1866 67,	...	..	2,327 4
			Increase...37 1

X.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import, entered at the Sea Custom House of Rangoon, in the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the official year 1867-68, excluding fractions

IMPORTS BY SEA									
NUMBER	ARTICLES	Unit or Weight or Number	To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden		To Ports with in the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies		Total
			Quantity	Value Rs.	Quantity	Value Rs.	Quantity	Value Rs.	Quantity Value Rs.
1	Copper,	Mds	519	21,228			1	22	924 21,453
2	Cotton raw	,	50	11,093	32,776	5,65,575	4	64	33,285 5,50,032
3	Cutch,	,	44,624	5,65,917	1,05,408	8,40,198	736	6,252	1,50,768 12,12,367
4	Hides,	No	1,959	2,240	1,01,094	1,09,518	9,454	6,659	1,13,007 1,18,426
5	Horn				46,225	1,5,001			46,225 1,5,501
6	Ivory	Mds	164	4,900	26	7,060	11	2,500	201 52,490
7	Lake Stones		40	4,000	4,285	3,57,050	30	3,000	4,350 3,64,050
8	Lead		5,760	55,483	881	8,000	115	1,172	6,756 64,655
9	Orpiment Yellow		807	20,150					807 20,150
0	Petroleum		4,555	12,997	1,312	3,388	5,936	1,449	11,983 33,880
1	Rice and Paddy,	Ton	30,191	10,22,621	1,53,586	66,04,197	505	17,228	1,63,142 82,44,046
2	Stone Precious	Rs	—	2,19,910		3,700		4,800	— 2,28,410
3	Stick Lac,	Mds	2,173	20,555	743	5,727	55	454	2,971 29,736
4	Timber,	Fms	12,720	6,89,071	3,496	1,98,126	1,207	59,115	17,423 9,46,312
5	Tobacco,	Mds	1,853	19,651	279	5,961	4,035	44,719	6,197 70,381
6	Treasure,								
	A for Government,	Rs.					60,000	—	60,000
	B for Private Parties,	,,		25,81,185	—	1,71,125	15,23,876	—	42,76,189
7	All other Articles not enumerated above,	,,	—	7,84,341	—	3,41,676	—	22,46,699	— 33,72,918
	Total			64,73,381		92,41,107		39,94,488	197,08,976

X.-

*Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import entered at the Sea Customs
official year 1867-68*

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.			
			From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.	
			Quantity	Value. Rs.	Quantity	Value. Rs.
1	Betel-unt, ...	Mds.	80,323	8,30,677	36,350	1,83,431
2	Cotton Twist and Yarn, ..	lbs.	10,24,250	10,76,987	16,08,660	18,52,013
3	Crockery-ware, ..	Rs.	—	6,773	—	1,06,909
4	Cutlery, ..	„	—	1,07,107	—	3,697
5	Gunny Bags, ..	No.	22,33,105	6,76,666	33,825	9,455
6	Hardware, ..	Rs.	—	1,30,341	—	42,400
7	Piece Goods, Cotton, ..	Pieces	4,52,706	26,33,970	7,05,881	18,76,838
8	Do. Silk, ..	„	1,98,570	12,51,644	1,70,264	8,55,348
9	Do. Woollen, ..	„	18,526	6,99,161	17,471	1,78,239
10	Silk, raw, ..	lbs.	36,956	3,02,660	19,537	1,35,638
11	Spirituous Liquors, ..	Galls	11,881	79,880	47,243	2,89,953
12	Sugar, ..	Mds.	8,873	1,21,627	10,850	93,008
13	Timber, ..	Tons	—	—	39	1,595
14	Tobacco, ..	Mds	83,978	9,70,284	481	21,152
15	Treasure, ..					
	A for Government, ..	Rs.	—	—	—	—
	B for Private Parties, ..	„	—	38,37,904	—	5,40,818
16	Wines, Beer, &c., ..	Galls.	23,352	84,805	13,16,655	5,86,878
17	All other Articles not enumerated above, ..	Rs.	—	25,48,758	—	32,61,072
	Total			153,62,244		100,39,344

(Concluded.)

House of Rangoon in the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the excluding fractions.

ARTICLES.		Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.				Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
			From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.		
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	
1	Betel-nut, ...	Mds.	7,026	44,894	1,23,699	10,59,002	
2	Cotton Twist and Yarn, . .	lbs.	29,385	32,852	26,62,295	29,61,852	
3	Crockery-ware,	Rs.	—	812	—	1,14,494	
4	Cutlery,	„	—	1,600	—	1,12,404	
5	Gunny Bags,	No.	68,532	28,560	23,35,462	7,14,681	
6	Hardware,	Rs.	—	4,133	—	1,76,874	
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	26,376	1,52,872	11,84,963	46,63,680	
8	Do. Silk,	„	7,398	65,665	3,76,232	21,75,657	
9	Do. Woollen,	„	455	54,548	36,452	9,31,948	
0	Silk, raw,	lbs.	3,641	17,512	60,134	4,55,810	
1	Spirituous Liquors,	Galls.	60	696	59,184	3,70,529	
2	Sugar,	Mds.	10,693	63,345	30,416	2,77,980	
3	Timber,	Tons	2,833	1,53,370	2,872	1,54,965	
4	Tobacco, ...	Mds.	2,913	31,892	87,372	10,26,328	
5	Treasure,						
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	
	B for Private Parties,	„	—	68,360	—	44,47,082	
6	Wines, Beer, &c. . .	Galls.	864	3,718	3,40,871	6,75,401	
7	All other Articles not enumerat- ed above, . . . }	Rs.	—	5,55,323	—	63,66,063	
Total Rs.				12,83,152		266,84,740	463,93,715

Abstract Statement of the Value of Exports and Imports by Sea to and from the Port of Rangoon, able thereon.

Division.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma		To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependences.		Total.	
		Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.
PEGU.	RANGOON,	64,73,381	153,62,244	92,41,107	100,39,344	39,94,488	12,83,152	197,08,976	266,81,7

of the Begu Division, during the official year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or charge-
omitting fractions.

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	Total Value.	Amount of Duty realized.	Total Value in consequence of previous year.	Total amount of Duty in corresponding year of previous year.	IMPORTS ON ACCOUNT OF GOVERNMENT.	
		Rs.	R.	Rs.	Rs.		
BEGU	RANGOON.					Agricultural Implements, ..	...
						Commissariat Stores, ..	1,72,700
						Engineering Stores, ...	3,07,840
						Machinery, ...	17,000
						Marine Stores, ...	450
						Military Stores, ..	7,543
						Opium, ..	1,62,000
						Ordnance, ..	840
						Stationery, ...	7,212
						Telegraph Stores, ..	64,960
						Jail Stores, ..	6,590
						Police Stores, ...	2,100
						Total Rupees	7,49,241
						RECEIPTS NOT INCLUDED IN THE AMOUNT OF DUTY.	
						Amount of Confiscations, ..	3,721
						Do. of Fees for Suppl. Manfts. and Dept. Certificate,)	80
						Do. of Fines, ..	3,281
						Do. of Bd. Warehouse Rent, ..	3,485
						Do. of Wharf Godown Rent, ..	2,364
						Do. Sale of Registered Forms, ..	146
						Do. Sale of Blank Manft. Forms, ..	1
						Do. charge of excess period of extra Preventive Officers, ..	47
						Total Rupees	13,50

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from
year 1867-68,

Number.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.							
		United Kingdom.		Foreign Europe.		Straits Settlement.		To all other Foreign Ports.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
	RANGOON.								
1	Rice, ...	1,15,733	58,31,162	4,727	2,32,680	6,591	3,25,762	2,068	1,10,191
2	Paddy, ...	1,915	52,740	—	—	130	4,223	1,422	44,436
3	Timber, ...	1,767	1,10,648	8	480	269	13,575	1,452	73,423

*the Ports of Rangoon, in the Pegu Division of British Burma, during the official
excluding fractions.*

Number.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Home or In- ternal Ports sub- ject to the Go- vernment of In- dia, but exclud- ing the Straits and Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Ports within the Territories of British Bur- ma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and their depen- dencies.		Total.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
	RANGOON.						
1	Rice, ...	21,697	13,60,348	364	17,153	1,51,180	78,80,299
2	Paddy, ...	8,494	2,62,273	1	75	11,962	3,63,747
3	Timber, ...	12,720	6,89,071	1,207	59,115	17,423	9,46,312

No. A.

Statement of Goods included in the Return X of the Rangoon Customs (Imports) for the official year 1867-68, declared for Export by the Irrawaddy River to the Burmese Territories as provided for in the Treaty with Burma, and according to Act VI of 1863.

ARTICLES.	Unit of Weight	Quantity	Value.	Duty	REMARKS
Brandy, . doz		115	1,660	16 9	
Stationery.		...	80	.. 13	
Perfumery,			392	3 17	
Carpet, . No		11	240	2 6	
Wearing Apparel,			354	3 9	
Rifles,		1 260 }	27,560	272 10	
Fowling Pieces		10 }			
Cartridges and Cap,			66	11	11
Glass. Looking, ..		...	200	2	
Claret, . Gals		120	180	1 13	
Rum, . .		61	192	1 15	
Cherry Cordial, . doz		3	48	8	
Gin, . . Gals		900	1,150	11 8	
Oilman's Stores,		..	360	3 10	
Silk and Cotton } Pes		2,250	10,600	106	
Handkerchiefs. }					
Do. No		35,200	1,221	12 1	
French Clocks, ...		...	120	1 3	
Total			50,127	12 501 6	

No. B.

Statement of Goods included in the Return of the Rangoon Customs (Imports) for the official year 1867-68, declared for Export to other Territories and not for sale in the Burmese Territories as provided for in the Treaty with Burma, and according to Act VI of 1863

ARTICLES	Unit of Weight	Quantity	Value	Duty	REMARKS.
Silk and Cotton } Pes		999	5,491 8	51 15	} For China.
Handkerchiefs, }					
Figured Silk, ...		11	280	2 13	
Total .			5,771 8	57 12	

From G. F. WHEELER, Esq., Collector of Customs, to the Commissioner of Pegu,—No. 5, Bassein, the 8th April 1868.

I HAVE the honor to submit a Report on the Trade and Customs of Bassein for the year 1867-68, ending 31st March, with Statements X. Y. Z., and Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, and a Comparative Statement of Vessels cleared out during 1866-67 and 1867-68.

Statement X. This shows the principal Articles of Export and Import that have been entered at the Custom House during the year.

Statement Y. This is an Abstract Statement of the value of Exports and Imports, and shows the Port to and from which they have been sent or received, as also the amount of duty collected.

Statement Z. This Statement is an Abstract of the quantity of Grain and Timber exported from the Port.

Statement XV and XVI (not printed) This is a Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, showing that the only expenditure over the working expenses of the Office has been Rs. 111-4 on account of duty refunded.

Comparative Statement. This Statement compares the number of Vessels that have cleared out this year with the number cleared out during the preceding one. The noticeable feature in this Statement is the small proportion of Foreign Vessels that have visited the Port.

As the Statements referring to the Imports and Exports above noted take account only of the year under review, and as it is necessary for a right understanding of the state of the Trade that a comparison should be made, it will be necessary for me to introduce comparative tables from time to time in this report. In the following table is presented

the total value of the Import and Export trade for the past year, compared with the one preceding it.

The value of Treasure is included.

Λ.

Statement showing the total value of Imports and Exports and the Duty realized for 1867-68 and the previous year.

YEARS.	Total Ex-ports.	Total Im-ports.	Total Im-ports and Exports	DUTY.	
				Exports.	Imports
1866-67, ...	13,33,931	1,63,671	11,97,602	95,520	348-5
1867-68, .	15,74,681	2,05,886	17,80,567	1,80,990	1,767-5
Total Increase	...	...	2,82,965	85,470	1,419-0

This table shows the total value of the trade of this port to have been for the past year Rupees 17,80,567, showing an increase over the preceding one of 2,82,965 Rupees, and an increase in the Duty collected amounting to 86,889 Rupees.

This apparent increase is caused by 1866-67 including only eleven months, and also by an enhanced rate of Export duty that has been levied during the past official year.

It will not be necessary to say anything in this place on the Imports, but to arrive at a just comparison of the Exports, it will be necessary to compare the 12 months ending 31st March 1867 with the corresponding months ending the 31st March 1868, this is done in the following table :—

Years		Value	Duty.
1866-67, ...		22,58,998	1,51,428
1867-68, ...		15,74,681	1,80,990
Total Increase		6,84,317	29,562

Which shows a falling off of nearly seven lakhs of Rupees in the value of the Exports, a small part of this is accounted for by a less quantity of Grain having been shipped during the present compared with the preceding year, but the principal fact to be learned from it is that extravagant rates are now no longer paid for the Rice. The average price for Cargo Rice as reported at this Custom House during the past year being $124\frac{1}{2}$ Rupees per hundred baskets against Rupees $141\frac{1}{2}$ during the preceding year, and about 220 Rupees the year before that. The increase in the amount of duty collected is more than accounted for by the enhanced rates levied, before alluded to.

In the following table is shown the principal Ports to which Grain has been exported, with the quantity and value, that by comparing it with the preceding year it will be seen what particular trade has been effected :—

B.

ARTICLES.	United Kingdom		Foreign Europe		Strait of Malacca		To all other Foreign Ports		Home Ports		Total	
	Tons	Value	Tons	Value	Tons	Value	Tons	Value	Tons	Value	Tons	Value
1866-67,	23,291	11,52,874	-	-	181	7,777	830	45,080	2,387	87,385	26,689	12,06,960
1867-68,	35,164	14,85,031	-	-	169	7,395	-	-	1,326	50,220	37,159	15,12,646
Increase	11,873	3,32,157	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,470	2,35,686
Decrease	-	-	-	-	12	382	330	45,080	561	37,165	-	-
Total Increase	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,470	-	249	330	-	-

With reference to the total increase of Tonnage and value of Grain, it is again necessary to remember that 1866-67 includes only eleven months ; by comparing the total Tonnage and value for the 12 months ending 31st March 1867 with the 12 months ending 31st March 1868 the following is found :—

Years	Tonnage	Value of Grain
1866-67, ...	13,062	22,22,027
1867-68, ...	37,159	15,12,646
Total Increase	5,903	6,89,381

This decrease is to be attributed to the paucity of Tonnage obtainable during the last month of the official year.

With reference to the particular trade that has been effected, it will be seen that there is no revival of the trade with China and the Straits, the principal decrease is shown in the trade with India and Europe.

EXPORTS.

The following table is introduced to show the items that have entered into our Export trade for the year under review and the preceding one, so that the increase and decrease may be seen at a glance.

It will not be necessary in this to note the difference of the number of months in the two years, as with the exception of Grain, treated of elsewhere, other items are not sensibly effected by it.

Number.	ARTICLES	Weight	1866-67		1867-68		1867-68		Increase	Decrease
1	Copper,	Mds								
2	Cotton, raw,	do.	2,082	9,787	786	3,527	..	..	1,296	6,261
3	Cutch,	do	305	1,610	80	602	..	..	227	1,003
4	Hides,	No					..	..		
5	Horns,	do					..	..		
6	Ivory,	Mds					..	..		
7	Lead,	do					..	..		
8	Orpiment, Yellow	do					..	..		
9	Petroleum,	do	511	1,609	2,130	5,008	1,619	3,399		
10	Rice and Paddy,	Tons	26,685	13,06,960	37,160	15,12,616	10,171	2,35,686		
11	Stones, Precious,	Rs					..	..		
12	Stick-lac,	Mds					..	..		
13	Timber,	Tons	21	1,160	50	2,516	26	1,356		
14	Tobacco,	Mds.			1	15	1	45		
15	Treasure,	Rs.					..	..		
16	Sundries,	"		12,805		20,337		7,532		
Total...				13,33,931		15,74,661		2,48,018		7,20
Total Increase								2,41,780		

Cotton. Last year I had to report a decrease in the quantity exported, and this year shows a still further decline occasioned by the small quantity brought to this market, all we have hitherto exported has been sent to Akyab, Nurrungunge and other northern ports, those markets it would appear are supplied from other sources.

Cutch. Although for the first time a small quantity has been shipped to Europe, there is a falling off in the export of this article. As it is manufactured in the interior, it is easily diverted to the Rangoon market, which probably explains why so little finds its way here.

Petroleum. A small increase has taken place in the export of this article, the boats that arrived with Salt from Ranree having taken away more than usual.

Rice and Paddy. This is the staple of our trade and is treated of in another place.

Timber. A small increase in the exportation of this article is shown, occasioned by a vessel that usually leaves here for Nurrungunge yearly taking this year Timber instead of Cotton.

Sundries. The increase under this head is caused by a larger exportation of Earthen-ware.

IMPORTS.

The following table will show in detail the items entering our Import trade, a comparison is shown between the present and preceding year that the increase or decrease may be readily seen. In the table the two years are taken as complete, as it would make no perceptible difference if April of the preceding year was included.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Weight	1866-67.		1867-68.		1867-68.			
							Increase.		Decrease.	
1	Betel-nut, ..	Mds.	5,827	46,629	4,736	37,691	...	...	1,091	8,
2	Cotton Twist & Yarn,	lbs.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	Crockery-ware, ..	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	Cutlery, ...	do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	Gunny Bags, ...	do.	29,580	10,318	4,500	1,350	...	...	25,080	8,
6	Hardware, ...	do.	4	15	25	625	21	610	...	...
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces,	613	1,690	1,303	3,386	690	1,696	...	...
8	Do. Silk, ..	do	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
9	Do. Woollen,	do.	231	552	1	15	...	...	230	...
10	Silk, raw, ...	lbs.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11	Spirits, ...	Gals.	...	...	304	1,454	304	1,454	...	...
12	Sugar, ...	Mds.	...	...	8	348	8	348	...	...
13	Timber, ...	Tons,	...	...	20	1,200	20	1,200	...	...
14	Tobacco, ...	Mds	3,424	43,216	3,476	43,399	52	183	...	...
15	Treasure, ...	Rs.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
16	Private do., ...	do	...	38,856	...	39,200	...	350	...	...
17	Wines and Beer, &c	Gals.	...	...	436	1,347	436	1,347	...	...
18	Sundries, ..	Rs.	...	22,401	...	75,871	...	53,470	...	...
Total...			...	1,63,671	...	2,05,856	...	60,307	...	18
Total Increase Rs....			...	...	...	...	...	41,861	...	...

There has been a slight falling off in the importation of this article again this year. The market would seem to be obtaining supplies from other sources, consequently less has arrived by sea.

Betel-nut,

Gunny Bags.

With reference to this article the decrease simply means that the needed supply has arrived via the creeks instead of by ships.

An increase in the value of these articles imported has taken place caused by a vessel arriving here direct from Europe with a small consignment.

Wines, Beer and Spirits.

A larger increase has taken place in the value of these
 Sundries. amounting to 60,307 Rupees: this is caused
 by the importation of a cargo of Coals direct,
 and an increased importation of Salt coastwise.

With reference to the other items they do not seem to call for any special remark, as they only represent the fluctuations to be expected where the trade is small.

In reviewing the trade of this Port for the past year, with reference to the Imports, little has occurred calling for notice. The one new feature being the importation of a cargo of Coals for the first time direct from Europe. With reference to the Export trade which represents the principal business of the place, I have to offer the following remarks:— I had occasion in my report in 1866-67 to allude to disturbing influences affecting it then. What has been said in treating of the exports in detail shows that those influences are not yet removed or have been replaced by others. It is shown that while the collections on account of duty have increased the increase is not as much as it should have been considering the new rate levied.

It is shown that there has been a large falling off in the value and a small decrease in the quantity of the Grain exported. The difference of value has been alluded to in another place and shown principally to arise from the fact of the price of Rice falling from an extravagant rate in 1865-66 to a fair rate in 1867-68.

With reference to the smaller quantity shipped, this is to be attributed to the non-arrival of vessels during February and March, the last two months of the official year, arising from inability to secure them and not because the crop is either insufficient or of bad quality.

At the beginning of the year under review vessels were holding back for higher freights, and as a corresponding rise of price in the Home Markets for Rice could not be depended on, a reduction in the price paid here was expected, (it should be remembered that for the past two or three years very high rates have been acceded to by the Merchants) some time elapsed before the sellers would meet the demands of the Merchants, so that during May and June very little was done, as however the sellers saw that holding back would not advance their interest, Rice came to market, and as I expected and said in my last report it was bought and ships were engaged to carry it away, so that by the month of December quite a fair average quantity of the crop had been exported from Bassein. About this time, in consequence of the Abyssinian expedition, tonnage was scarce, so that 1.000 tons of the old crop was left and still is in the Merchants' godowns. The new season commenced, as far as the crops went, with the prospect of a fair business being done, but tonnage was very scarce.

The earlier ships that have usually loaded here or rather the vessels that have loaded usually during the earlier part of the season, have been those chartered in India, while the Home chartered ships have arrived later, the Indian charters have generally arrived from Western India and from the Straits and China. The Indian ships would appear to have been taken up for Abyssinia, and the China ones would appear to have found employment there, probably to carry cargoes from Saigon and Siam. The non-arrival of either seeking or chartered ships from the Eastern Seas would lead to the conclusion that those countries are competing with Burma in the Home Markets, to what extent I have not sufficient information to say. To take a broader view of the case, it should be remembered that for the past few years freights have been so low that there has been a great falling off in

the number of ships built, and this amongst Foreign as well as British, for it will be noticed that a much smaller proportion of Foreign vessels has entered the Port of Bassein.

The conclusion I come to is, that the Rice trade is not depressed, but suffering from disturbing influences that are correcting themselves, and that though this season has opened dull, I doubt not that all the Rice the holders are willing to sell at fair prices will be exported during the rains, but as vessels must have paying freights, and as Burma has not entire command of the market at home, growers must submit to receive a lower price for their grain, but not lower than will be fairly remunerative.

*Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import, entered at the Sea Customs
year ending 31st March*

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
			To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Copper,	Mds.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Cotton, raw, .	„	623	2,800	—	—	163	727	786	3,527
3	Cutch, . .	„	17	144	28	138	35	320	80	602
4	Hides, . . .	No.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Horns, . . .	„	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Ivory, . . .	Mds.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	Lead, . . .	„	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Orpiment, Yellow,	„	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Petroleum, . .	„	85	210	—	—	2,045	4,798	2,130	5,008
10	Rice and Paddy,	Tons	1,826	50,220	35,334	14,92,426	—	—	37,160	15,42,646
11	Stones, Precious,	No.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Stick-lac, . .	Mds.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Timber, . . .	Tons	37	1,750	—	—	13	766	50	2,516
14	Tobacco, . . .	Mds.	—	—	1	45	—	—	1	45
15	Treasure,									
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	B for Private Parties, . .	„	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	All other Articles not enumerated above, }	„	—	2,379	—	495	—	17,463	—	20,337
	Total			57,503		14,93,104		24,074		15,74,681

House of Bassein, in the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the 1868, excluding fractions.

Number.		ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.								Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
				From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits, Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.		
				Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	
1	Betel-nut,	Mds	2,418	19,584	—	—	2,288	18,107	4,736	37,691		
2	Cotton Twist & Yarn,	lbs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
3	Crockery-ware,	No.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4	Cutlery,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
5	Gunny Bags,	"	—	—	—	—	4,500	1,350	4,500	1,350		
6	Hardware,	"	—	—	25	625	—	—	25	625		
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	1,302	3,382	1	4	—	—	1,303	3,386		
8	Do. Silk,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
9	Do. Woollen,	"	—	—	1	15	—	—	1	15		
10	Silk, raw,	lbs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
11	Spiritous Liquors,	Galls	—	—	304	1,454	—	—	304	1,454		
12	Sugar,	Mds.	—	—	8	348	—	—	8	348		
13	Timber,	Tons	—	—	—	—	20	1,200	20	1,200		
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	1,747	19,187	3	130	1,726	24,082	3,476	43,399		
15	Treasure,											
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	B for Private Parties,	"	—	36,200	—	3,000	—	—	—	39,200		
16	Wines, Beer, &c.,	Galls.	—	—	436	1,347	—	—	436	1,347		
	All other Articles not enumerated above,	Rs.	—	16,139	—	20,175	—	39,557	—	75,871		
	Total.			94,492		27,098		84,296		2,05,886	17,80,567	

*Abstract Statement of the Value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the
amount of Duty realized or chargeable.*

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
		Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.
PEGU.	BASSEIN,	57,503	94,492	14,93,101	27,098	24,074	84,296	15,74,681	2,05,886
	Total .	57,503	94,492	14,93,104	27,098	24,074	84,296	15,74,681	2,05,886

Port of Bassein, in the Pegu Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, with thereon, omitting fractions. •

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	Total value.	Amount of Duty realized.	Total value in corresponding year 1866-67.	Total amount of Duty in corresponding year 1866-67.	REMARKS.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
	BASSEIN	17,80,557	1,82,757	14,97,602	95,869	
	Total	17,80,567	1,82,757	14,97,602	95,869	

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the
year 1867-68,

Number.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.							
		United Kingdom.		Foreign Europe.		Straits Settlement.		To all other Foreign Ports.	
		Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value	Quantity.	Value.
		Tons.	Rs.	Tons	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
	BASSIN								
1	Rice, ...	35,164	14,85,031	—	—	170	7,395	—	—
2	Paddy, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Timber, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Total	35,164	14,85,031	—	—	170	7,395	—	—

Port of Bassein, in the Pegu Division of the Province of British Burma, during the excluding fractions.

NUMBER.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Total by Land.		Grand Total by Sea and Land.	
		Quantity	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		Tons	Rs.	Tons	Rs.	Tons.	Rs	Tons	Rs	Tons.	Rs.
	BASSEIN.										
1	Rice,	222.	7,811	—	—	35,556	15,00,237	—	—	—	—
2	Paddy,	1,604	42,409	—	—	1,604	42,409	—	—	—	—
3	Timber,	37	1,750	13	766	50	2,516	—	—	—	—
	Total	1,863	51,970	13	766	37,210	15,45,162	—	—	37,210	15,45,162

REPORT on the Export and Import Trade of the Inland Frontier Custom House at Thayet-myo, Pegu Province British Burma, for the official year 1867-68, by Major W. MUNRO, Assistant Commissioner and *Ex-officio* Collector of Customs.

THE Statements which accompany this Report, are as follows :—

	No. 18 A.	X for 1867-68.
	„ 17 B.	Y „ „
	„ 17 C.	Z „ „
Not printed.	„ 17 D.	„ „
	„ 17 E.	„ „
	„ 17 F.	I „ „
	„ 17 G.	II „ „
	„ 17 H.	III „ „
	„ 17 I.	IV „ „
	„ 17 J.	V „ „
	„ 18 A.	„ „
Not printed.	„ 18 B.	„ „
	„ 19	„ „

It is unnecessary to describe them as they have been fully explained in previous reports.

There is one additional Statement, being a Comparative Statement of Imports and Exports for the official year 1866-67 and 1867-68, Customs No. 19, forwarded by the Commissioner to be filled in and accompany the report.

The year 1866-67 consisted of 11 months only, and last year's Report and Returns showed a comparison of the trade for 11 months in 1866-67 against 11 months in 1865-66— but as the present official year contains 12 months, I have included April of 1866-67 to make a comparison of the trade in the two years under review.

In 1866-67 the total value of the Export side was... Rs. 70,97,706 3
 In 1867-68 do. do. „ 138,23,069 4

Showing an Increase of Rs. 67,25,363 1

In 1866-67 the total value of the Import side was... Rs. 52,14,694 13
 In 1867-68 do. do. „ 98,09,843 1

Showing an Increase of Rs. 45,95,148 4

This shows a total value of trade both Export and

Import in 1866-67, ... Rs. 123,12,401 0
 And in 1867-68 do. do. „ 236,32,912 5

Showing a net Increase of value in 1867-68 Rs. 113,20,511 5

The principal articles of Export are as follows—the actual increase in trade in 1867-68 as compared with the previous year is placed opposite each item shown:—

			Increased Value.
Betel-nut, Arakan,	...	...	Rs. 7,978 4
Cotton Twist, &c.	...	...	„ 7,73,125 0
Dameng Ngapee,	...	...	„ 2,84,874 6
Ngapee gong,	...	...	„ 1,46,000 11
Ngathine,	...	...	„ 3,713 12
Pazoongyeen,	...	...	„ 1,107 8
Piece Goods, Cotton,	...	...	„ 10,97,211 10
Do. Silk,	...	...	„ 5,94,230 4
Do. Woollens,	...	...	„ 2,15,623 4
Paddy,	...	...	„ 20,63,260 11
Rice,	...	...	„ 10,90,845 8
Salt,	...	...	„ 12,698 11
Silk, raw,	...	...	„ 1,58,566 0
Miscellaneous,	...	...	„ 3,27,319 7

The principal articles of Import with their increase in value for 1867-68 are as follows :—

			Increased Value.
Cotton, raw,	...	...	Rs. 1,14,388 12
Cutch,	...	..	„ 1,75,830 7
Dyes,	...	...	„ 4,808 8
Earthenware,	..	...	„ 10,823 4
Gram,	...	..	„ 29,319 6
Hardware and Cutlery,	...	...	„ 7,388 5
Hides, Bullock and Buffaloe,	...	...	„ 8,396 13
Jaggery and Molasses,	...	...	„ 2,77,215 8
Lacquered-ware,	.	.	„ 1,11,771 10
Lead,	.	.	„ 54,268 0
Petroleum,	...	...	„ 55,259 5
Piece Goods, Cotton,	...	..	„ 2,32,165 1
Rough Jade Stone,	...	.	„ 22,221 0
Sessamum Oil,	.	...	„ 53,971 10
Stones, precious,	.	...	„ 31,315 0
Tea, dry,	..	.	„ 7,943 0
Tea, wet (pickled)	..	...	„ 90,535 9
Timber,	.	...	„ 22,867 7
Tobacco,	...	.	„ 6,128 1
Miscellaneous,	..	...	„ 33,91,150 9

The increase value of Rice, Paddy, and Cotton Piece Goods is very large, and appears to have resulted from the lowering of the Customs levied at Minhla in Upper Burma from 10 to . per cent under the treaty, and the impetus given to trade in consequence.

		Baskets.	Tons.	Valuing Rs.
In 1866-67 the amount of Paddy				
Exported was	...	9,57,545	20,092	8,55,338
In 1867-68		39,25,466	82,365	29,18,599
In 1866-67 the amount of Rice				
Exported was	.	1,06,920	2,721	2,09,553
In 1867-68	...	7,01,306	17,816	13,00,399
		Pieces		Valuing Rs.
In 1866-67 the amount of Piece Goods				
Cotton was	..	...	1 85,099	9,52,289
In 1867-68	.	...	3 92,490	20,49 500

Showing a total increase in the value of these three articles of export alone of Rs. 42,51,318.

There is also a very great increase in the Import of Raw Cotton, Cutch, Jaggery and Molasses, and Cotton Piece Goods.

	Maunds.	Valuing Rs.
Raw Cotton in 1866-67 amounted to	13,987	1,55,980
Do. in 1867-68 ...	19,680	2,70,368
Cutch in 1866-67 amounted to ...	37,666	1,32,424
Do. in 1867-68 ...	87,681	3,08,255
Jaggery and Molasses in 1866-67 ...	1,15,909	3,27,561
Do. in 1867-68 ...	2,14,578	6,04,776
	Pieces.	Valuing Rs.
Cotton Piece Goods in 1866-67	5,60,597	5,58,213
Do. in 1867-68	8,67,746	7,90,378

Showing a total increase in these articles of trade in 1867-68 of Rs. 7,99,599.

The Cotton Piece Goods consist of coarse stuffs woven in Upper Burma partly from Native thread and very largely from Cotton Twist exported from British Burma.

The increase article "Miscellaneous" on the Import side is also very large, amounting to 33 lakhs and 94 thousand; a large portion of this is Treasure; in Silver alone there was imported 10 lakhs and 34 thousand.

The trade between British and Upper Burma is principally carried on by native boats and Steamers: H. M. the King has three Steamers which run between Mandalay and Rangoon, and Steamers belonging to Messrs. Todd, Findlay & Co. also occasionally run to Mandalay. The King's Steamers made 9 trips up and down during the past 12 months: and Messrs. Todd, Findlay & Co.'s Steamers during the past year made 11 trips upwards and 10 downwards.

The total number and tonnage of Boats that passed up and down are as follows :—

		No.	Tonnage.
In 1866-67,	...	18,161	1,35,468
In 1867-68,	...	31,582	3,02,371

Showing an increase in number and tonnage of 13,421 and 1,66,903.

It will therefore be seen that the trade in 1867-68 has largely increased and has been very prosperous. This is partly due to the more settled state of Upper Burma since the suppression of the late rebellion, and also to the reduction made by H. M. the King in his Customs duties.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import entered at the Inland Frontier Custom House at Thayet-myo, during the official year 1867-68.

1			
EXPORTS BY LAND (RIVER INCLUDED) BEYOND THE FRONTIER.			
ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	Quantity.	Value
1 Betel-nut,	Mds.	36,289	2,34,780
2 Cotton Twist, Yarn, &c.	lbs.	18,29,940	14,33,586
3 Crockery-ware,	No.	8,56,471	95,486
4 Ngapee, Dried Fish, &c.	Mds	4,08,222	19,27,528
5 Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	3,92,590	20,49,501
6 Do. Silk, ...	"	1,03,840	10,21,504
7 Do. Woollen,	"	15,994	3,19,277
8 Rice and Paddy,	Tons	1,00,210	42,18,997
9 Salt, ...	Mds	2,43,824	4,42,506
10 Silk, raw,	lbs.	89,891	6,08,981
11 All other Articles not enumerated above,	Rs.		13,70,913
Total Rupees			138,23,069

STEAMERS' ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE.

	Meenan-sekya and Flat.	Sekya-yeen-moon, (Star of Burma.)	Yeanan-sekya (Honey) and Flat.	Lord William Bentinck and Flats.	Nerbuddah and Flat.	Damoodah and Flat.	Colonel Phayre and Flats.	Eassein and Flat.
Export, ...	1	4	4	2	3	1	4	1
Import, ..	2	4	3	2	2	1	4	1

No. 17A.--X.--(Concluded.)

Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import entered at the Inland Frontier Custom House at Thayet-myo, during the official year 1867-68.

IMPORTS BY LAND (RIVER INCLUDED BEYOND THE FRONTIER.)				
ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	Quantity.	Value.	Grand Total value of Exports and Imports.
1 Copper.	Mds.	694	15,378	
2 Cotton, raw.	"	19,680	2,70,368	
3 Cutch,	"	87,681	3,08,255	
4 Dyes,	"	3,993	33,540	
5 Earthenware.	No	39,34,218	34,817	
6 Gold Leaf,	Packs	14,186	16,608	
7 Gram,	Mds.	1,47,405	2,33,155	
8 Hardware and Cutlery.	No	31,148	17,698	
9 Hides, Bullock and Buffalo,	"	64,269	15,588	
10 Hons,	"	1,809	238	
11 Indigo,	Mds.	363	817	
12 Jaggery and Molasses,	"	2,14,578	6,04,776	
13 Lacquered ware,	No	15,39,246	4,28,397	
14 Lead,	Mds.	6,090	1,37,038	
15 Metal-ware,	No.	5,23,164	1,07,574	
16 Ornament, Yellow,	Mds.	103	936	
17 Petroleum,	"	1,56,099	2,74,395	
18 Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	8,67,746	7,90,378	
19 Do Silk,	"	1,25,289	8,01,259	
20 Ponies,	No.	80	7,562	
21 Rough Jade Stone,	Mds.	2,360	39,830	
22 Sessamum Oil,	"	57,715	5,19,436	
23 Stick-lac,	"	639	7,193	
24 Stones, Precious,	Rs.	-	1,41,220	
25 Sugar,	Mds.	2	11	
26 Tea, dry.	"	2,056	23,134	
27 Tea, wet, (pickled),	"	22,493	1,77,134	
28 Timber.	Tons	4,563	1,36,968	
29 Tobacco,	Mds.	4,174	11,631	
30 Wheat,	"	28,002	76,660	
31 All other Articles not enumerated above,	Rs.	--	45,77,848	
Total Rupees .			98,09,843	236,32,912

TREASURE INCLUDED IN X STATEMENT.

	EXPORT.				IMPORT.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
Gold, ...	4	44	10,592	8	1	64½	4,090	
Silver, ...	--	--	--	--	325	39	19,941	
Rupees, ...	7,27,003	--	7,27,003	--	40,34,113	1	40,34,113	
Total Rs. .			7,37,595	8			40,58,144	

*Abstract Statement of the Value of all Exports and Imports by Land, to and from the Province of
Pegu, during the official year 1867-68.*

Number.	NAME OF PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE.	Value of Exports.	Value of Imports.	Total value for each Custom House.	Amount of Duty.	Total value for each Custom House in previous year.	Total amount of Duty in previous year.
	LAND.						
1	THAYET-MYO,	138,23,069	98,09,843	236,32,912	—	111,74,698	—
2	TOUNG-OO,				—		
	Total Rupees.	138,23,069	98,09,843	236,32,912	—	111,74,698	—

No. 17C.—Z.

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) Exports by Sea and River, from the Province of Pegu, during the official year 1867-68.

No.	PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF GRAIN.	To United Kingdom.		To all other Ports.							Total quantity of Grain Exported by Sea and Land shown separately.		Total value of Grain Exported by Sea and Land shown separately.		Total quantity of Grain.					Total Value.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																														
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Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import entered at the Inland Frontier Custom House at Thayet-myo, during the official year 1867-68, and amount of computed Duty.

EXPORTS BY LAND (RIVER INCLUDED) BEYOND THE FRONTIER.					
ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	Quantity.	Value.	Computed Duty.	
1. Betel-nut, ..	Mds.	36,288	3,34,780	33,778	
2. Cotton Twist, Yarn, &c.	lbs.	18,29,940	14,33,596	Free.	
3. Crockery-ware, ...	No.	8,56,471	95,485	Do.	
4. Ngapeo, Dried Fish, &c.	Mds.	4,08,221	19,27,528	1,92,752	
5. Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	3,92,590	20,49,500	Free.	
6. Do. Silk,	„	1,03,840	10,21,503	Do.	
7. Do. Woollen,	„	15,994	3,19,277	Do.	
8. Rice and Paddy,	Tons	1,00,210	42,18,997	1,66,502	
9. Salt,	Mds.	2,43,823	4,42,505	51,014	
10. Silk, raw,	lbs.	89,891	6,08,981	Free.	
1. All other Articles not enumerated above,	Rs.	-	13,70,912	Do.	
Total Rupees			138,23,069	4,43,747	

STEAMERS' ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE.

	Meenan-sekya and Flat.	Sekya-yeen-moon, (Star of Burma.)	Yeanan-sekya (Honesty) and Flat.	Lord William Bentinck.	Nerbuddah and Flat.	Damoodah and Flat.	Colonel Phayre and Flats.	Bassoon and Flat.
Export, ..	1	4	4	2	3	1	4	1
Import, ..	2	4	3	2	2	1	4	1

Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import entered at the Inland Frontier Custom House at Thayet-myo, during the official year 1867-68, and amount of computed Duty.

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IMPORTS BY LAND (RIVER INCLUDED FROM BEYOND THE FRONTIER.)					
ARTICLES		Unit of weight or Number.	Quantity.	Value.	Computed Duty.
1	Copper, ..	Mds.	694	15,378	1,537
2	Cotton, raw, ...	"	19,680	2,70,368	Free
3	Cutch, ...	"	87,681	3,08,255	30,825
4	Dyes, ...	"	3,993	33,540	3,354
5	Earthenware, ...	No	39,34,218	34,816	3,481
6	Gold Leaf, ...	Packs	14,186	16,608	1,660
7	Gram, ...	Mds.	1,47,405	2,33,154	Free.
8	Hardware and Cutlery, ...	No	31,148	17,698	1,769
9	Hides, Bullock and Buffalo, ...	"	64,269	15,588	1,558
10	Horns, ...	"	1,809	238	23
11	Indigo, ...	Mds	363	817	81
12	Jaggery and Molasses, ...	"	2,14,578	6,04,776	60,477
13	Lacquered-ware, ...	No.	15,39,246	4,28,397	42,839
14	Lead, ...	Mds.	6,090	1,37,038	13,703
15	Metal-ware, ...	No.	5,23,164	1,07,573	10,757
16	Orpiment, Yellow, ...	Mds.	103	936	93
17	Petroleum, ...	"	1,56,099	2,74,395	27,439
18	Piece Goods, Cotton, ...	Pieces	8,67,746	7,90,377	79,037
19	Do Silk, ...	"	1,25,289	8,01,258	80,125
20	Ponies, ...	No	80	7,562	Free.
21	Rough Jade Stone, ...	Mds.	2,360	39,829	3,982
22	Sessamum Oil, ...	"	57,715	5,19,436	51,943
23	Stick-lac, ...	"	639	7,192	719
24	Stones, Precious, ...	Rs	-	1,41,220	Free.
25	Sugar, ...	Mds	2	11	1
26	Tea, dry, ...	"	2,056	23,134	2,313
27	Tea, wet, (pickled), ...	"	22,493	1,77,134	17,713
28	Timber, ...	Tons	4,563	1,36,967	25,000
29	Tobacco, ...	Mds	4,174	11,631	1,163
30	Wheat, ...	"	28,002	76,660	Free.
31	All other Articles not enumerated above, ...	Rs.	-	45,77,848	51,970
Total Rupees				98,09,843	5,13,576

TREASURE INCLUDED IN X STATEMENT.

	EXPORT.				IMPORT.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
Gold, ...	4	44	10,592	8	1	644	4,090	-
Silver, ...	-	-	-	-	325	39	19,941	1
Rupees, ...	7,27,003	-	7,27,003	-	40,34,113	1	40,34,113	-
Total Rs			7,37,595	8			40,58,144	1

From Major A. R. McMAHON, Deputy Commissioner and *Ex-officio* Collector of Customs, Toung-oo, to the Commissioner of Pegu, Rangoon,—No. 1, dated Toung-oo, the 9th April 1868.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Report on Customs for the District together with the Annual Statements mentioned in the margin for the year 1867-68.

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2. The value of Imports in the year 1867-68 amounted to Rupees 8,56,470 compared with Rupees 9,32,132 the previous year, which consisted of only eleven months, showing a decrease on the value of imports of Rupees 75,662.

3. The value of Exports in 1867-68 amounted to Rupees 9,58,109 compared with Rupees 7,83,372 the previous year, showing an increase in the value of exports amounting to Rupees 1,74,737.

4. The actual increase of trade is therefore estimated at Rupees 99,075.

5. The most important items of decrease in the Import trade are as follows :—

Rupees 1,43,590 in value of Timber.

„	51,034	do.	Silk Piece Goods.
„	14,070	do.	Lacquered-ware

6. The falling off of the Timber trade is attributable, 1st, To the alleged fact that the King of Burma after having given permission to any person to work the Ningyan forests on payment of a duty of Rupees 10 per log, sold the forests to a single contractor, and at the same time put an embargo on the floating of timber during the most propitious months for that purpose.

2nd. When permission was granted after reference to Mandalay, the season was too far advanced to recover thou-

sands of logs which, owing to the unprecedented flood that occurred last October were scattered all over the country.

7. The decline in the value of Silk Piece Goods is accounted for :—

1st. By the greater demand at Mandalay.

2nd. To the fact that this commodity is now taxed at Ningyan at 5 per cent ad valorem instead of by the cart load, as was the case it appears in 1866-67, hence the price of the goods is so enhanced by the extra duty as not to be able to compete with the English market.

3rd. Because it is said a number of weavers have left Burma Proper and have taken up their residence in British Burma, especially in Prome.

The falling of in the value of lacquered-ware is attributable to disturbances in the Shan States.

9. Most of the other imports have increased in value, the most noticeable exhibit the following results :—

Stick-lac,	...	...	...	35,045
Ponies,	...	...	...	33,910
Cutch,	...	...	...	20,315
Molasses,	...	...	...	19,368
Cotton Piece Goods,	...	...	...	18,112
Earth Oil,	...	...	...	1,284

10. The most important items of increase in the Export trade exhibit the following results :—

Cotton Piece Goods,	...	...	1,06,635
Miscellaneous articles,	...	...	59,514
Silk Piece Goods,	...	...	23,719
Cotton Twist,	...	...	19,164
Rice and Paddy,	..	...	10,967

11. By the above results it will be seen that although the Import trade of Cotton Piece Goods exhibits a respectable

increase in value, the value of the export trade in the same article is more than nine times as much, and that the stagnation of the imports of Silk Piece Goods has given a healthy impulse to the export trade.

12. The increase in the Rice and Paddy trade exhibits the value of exports to Upper Burma when there was a scarcity there last year. This year grain is comparatively cheap across the frontier, and dear in Toung-oo; consequently no export will take place, and owing to the authorities at Ningyan not recognising the principles of free trade, the imports will probably be nil, as an embargo has I understand been put on the export of grain.

13. The export trade of Betel-nut exhibits a falling off of Rupees 24,086, which is accounted for by the market in Upper Burma having been glutted last year causing a reaction this year.

14. The export of Ngapee and Salt Fish fell off in value to the amount of Rupees 22,840 owing to most of these commodities having found a ready sale on this side of the frontier.

15. As the alterations in tariff do not effect Toung-oo, no special report seems necessary thereon.
Changes in Tariff.

From Major A. R. McMAHON, Deputy Commissioner and *Ex-officio* Collector of Customs, Toung-oo, to the Commissioner of Pegu, Rangoon,—
No. 2, dated Toung-oo, the 5th May 1868.

WITH reference to your Memo. No. 8, dated 21st April 1868 commenting on the meagreness of my Custom's Report, I have the honor to report that in framing it I was guided by my predecessors reports of the two previous years, and feared that going more into details than has been the custom hitherto I might be accused of prolixity; I refrained there-

fore from recording any matter that might be considered redundant.

I now beg to submit detailed information as regards increase and decrease in each item of export and import.

EXPORT.

1. Decrease attributable to the market having been glutted in Upper Burma in 1866-67 causing a reaction in 1867-68.

Betel-nut. Decrease
Rs. 24,088.

2. Ascribed partly to the demand for English Yarn because the people find it pays them better than spinning their own, and partly to the prices having lowered so much as to tempt traders to export.

Cotton Twist Yarn.
Increase Rs. 19,164.

3. Increase ascribed to the demand for this article of European manufacture having increased as soon as the country became settled although prices were not abated on this side.

Crockery-ware. Increase Rs. 1,191.

4. The decrease is partly owing perhaps to the markets in Upper Burma being overstocked and partly to the greater demand in Shwé-gyeen and Toung-oo for home consumption.

Ngapee and dried fish. Decrease 22,840.

5. Increase due to the growing appreciation for English Piece Goods.

Piece Goods Cotton.
Increase 1,06,635.

6. The import trade has fallen off for reasons assigned under this head in the import statement, thereby causing a healthy impetus to the export trade.

Piece Goods Silk.
Increase 22,719.

7. The apparent falling off in the demand for this article is attributable to the fact that traders from Mandalay who are the largest consumers did not arrive as usual in February and March, but delayed till April.

Piece Goods Wool-
len. Decrease 2,158.

8. The increase is due to a greater demand in Upper Burma owing to great scarcity there during the past year.

Rice and Paddy. Increase Rs. 10,968.

9. In 1866-67 traders were induced owing to the comparative cheapness of Salt to export it largely thereby overstocking the market and causing a less demand during the past year.

Salt. Decrease Rs. 5,626.

10. Increase owing to the demand for this article for the purpose of making putsoes and htamines, many of which will find their way back again.

Silk, raw. Increase Rs. 5,626.

11. Exports under this head have increased yearly—consisting of iron cooking vessels, colored paper, looking glasses, tobacco, &c. &c.

All other articles not enumerated above. Increase Rs. 39,519.

IMPORTS.

1. Increase owing to the Shans having imported copper vessels in large quantities.

Copper. Increase Rs. 897.

2. This slight increase calls for no particular remark.

Cotton raw. Increase Rs. 614.

3. The price of Cutch in Toung-oo rose from 20 to 26 per maund owing to greater demand in Rangoon for export—hence an impetus was given to the import trade.

Cutch. Increase Rs. 20,034.

4. Increase owing to the increased demand for export from British Burma.

Dyes. Increase Rs. 1,976-8.

5. Increase calls for no remark.

Earthenware. Increase Rs. 144.

6. No remark.

Gold leaf. Decrease Rs. 40.

7. No remark.

Gram. Increase Rs. 665.

Hardware, 8. No remark.

Hides, Bullock and Buffalo, Decrease Rs. 36. 9. No remark.

Horns, 10. No remark.

Indigo, 11. No remark.

12. Increase owing to the great demand in Toung-oo and Shwé-gyeen during the rains and facility of access from Burma Proper by the river.
Jaggery and Molasses, Increase Rs. 19,369.

13. Decrease attributable to the unsettled state of the Shan Country throwing several workmen out of employ.
Lacquered-ware, Decrease Rs. 14,070.

Lead, Decrease Rs. 72. 14. No remark.

15. Increase owing to demand for Gongs by the Burmese as well as the Karens.
Metal-ware, Increase Rs. 2,168.

Orpiment, yellow, 16. No remark.

17. Increase owing to increased demand.
Petroleum, Increase Rs. 1,284.

18. Although there is a great demand for Cotton Piece Goods of foreign manufacture in Upper Burma, the demand for coarser and less expensive goods still holds its own, hence the increase.
Piece Goods, Cotton, Increase Rs. 18,114.

19. The falling off in value of Piece Goods is accounted for—
Piece Goods, Silk, Decrease Rs. 51,035.

1st. By the greater demand at Mandalay.

2nd. To the fact that this commodity is taxed at Ningyan at 5 per cent ad valorem instead of by the cart load as formerly, which so enhances the value of the goods as to prevent them competing.

20. The increase in the number of Ponies is no doubt owing greatly to the improved traffic caused by the Chief Bogyee keeping the Gekho route open.

Ponies. Increase
Rs. 33,910.

21. Increase attributable to the high prices that ruled in Toung-oo owing to scarcity of the article.

Sessanum Oil. Increase
Rs. 8,440.

22. The increase is owing to the demand in Rangoon for export. The traders here watch the markets at Rangoon and import or not from the Shan States accordingly.

Stick-lac. Increase
Rs. 35,045.

23. The falling off is attributable to disturbances in the territory from which precious stones are brought.

Stones, precious.
Decrease Rs. 6,811.

Sugar. 24. None.

Tea, dry. Increase
Rs. 701. 25. No remark.

26. The increase is owing to the demand caused in Toung-oo by a great scarcity of this article.

Tea, wet, pickled.
Increase Rs. 4,065.

27. The reason for this decrease as detailed at length in the body of the report.

Timber. Decrease
Rs. 1,43,590.

28. Increase owing to the demand for a peculiar kind of Shan Tobacco.

Tobacco. Increase
Rs. 2,580.

Wheat. 29. No remark.

30. Decrease chiefly attributable to the restriction put on the export of Cattle.

All other articles
not enumerated
above. Decrease Rs.
9,399.

Comparative Statement of Exports and Imports entered at

Number.	ARTICLES EXPORTED BY LAND, RIVER INCLUDED, BEYOND THE FRONTIER.	Value of Articles Ex- ported by Land during the year 1866-67.	Value of Articles Ex- ported by Land during the year 1867-68.
1	Betel-nut, ...	1,27,600	1,03,512
2	Cotton Twist, ...	24,200	43,364
3	Crockery-ware, ...	5,429	6,619
4	Ngapee and Dried Fish, ...	97,086	74,246
5	Piece Goods, Cotton, ...	2,33,899	3,40,535
6	Do. Silk, ...	1,32,132	1,53,852
7	Do. Woollen, ...	23,380	21,221
8	Rice and Paddy, ...		10,968
9	Salt.	95,852	92,858
10	Silk, raw, ...	26,408	32,033
11	All other Articles not enumerated above, ...	17,386	76,901
	Total Rupees	7,83,372	9,58,109

the Custom House, Toung-oo, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

Number.	ARTICLES IMPORTED BY LAND, RIVER INCLUD- ED, BEYOND THE FRONTIER.	Value of Articles Imported by Land during the year 1866-67.	Value of Articles Imported by Land during the year 1867-68.	Grand Total.	REMARKS.
1	Copper,	2,664	3,561		On looking over the monthly and quarterly returns and comparing them with the Vernacular on which they are based I find that although the totals are correct some of the items that make up these totals have been put under wrong heads, I have therefore carefully gone over all the items with the Burmese returns and am satisfied this Statement is correct.
2	Cotton, raw,	1,924	1,538		
3	Cutch,	7,209	27,243		
4	Cutlery,	9,288	—		
5	Dyes,	280	2,258		
6	Earthen-ware,	15	158		
7	Gold Leaf,	3,049	3,009		
8	Grain,	433	1,098		
9	Hardware and Cutlery,	4,288	4,258		
10	Hides, Bullock & Buffalo,	36	—		
11	Horns,	—	60		
12	Indigo,	—	17		
13	Jaggery and Molasses,	9,318	28,686		
14	Lacquered-ware,	35,988	21,917		
15	Lead,	72	3,205		
16	Metal-ware,	1,775	738		
17	Orpiment, Yellow,	—	—		
18	Petroleum,	181	1,465		
19	Piece Goods, Cotton,	70,728	88,841		
20	Do. Silk,	1,09,196	58,161		
21	Ponies,	80,775	1,14,685		
22	Sessamum Oil,	22,990	31,430		
23	Stick-lac,	12,357	47,401		
24	Stones, Precious,	10,980	4,169		
25	Sugar,	—	—		
26	Tea, dry,	—	70		
27	Tea, wet, (pickled),	12,931	16,996		
28	Timber,	2,77,190	1,33,600		
29	Tobacco,	4,372	6,936		
30	Wheat,	42	28		
31	All other Articles not enumer- ated above,	2,64,339	2,56,941		
	Total Rupees	9,32,132	8,60,469	18,18,578	

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Abstract Statement of the value of Exports and Imports by Sea and Land, from and to the Custom House, Touny-oo, for the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon.

Number.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden.		To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.		Total value for each Custom House.		Amount of Duty realized.		Total value in previous year.		Total Duty in previous year.	
		Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.
1	TOUNG-OO,	..	..	..	..	..	..	9,58,109	8,60,400	1,819	578	..	..	1,715	504	..	..

Computed duty of Exports and Imports entered at the Inland

Number.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES EXPORT- ED BY LAND, RIVER INCLUDED, BEYOND THE FRONTIER.	Value of Arti- cles Exported by Land dur- ing the year 1866-67.	Computed duty Exported by Land during the year 1866-67.	Value of Arti- cles Exported by Land dur- ing the year 1867-68.	Computed duty Exported by Land during the year 1867-68.
1	Betel-nut,	33,289	3,328	43,092	4,309
2	Cotton Twist, ...	—	—	—	—
3	Crockery-ware, . . .	—	—	—	—
4	Ngapee and dried Fish, &c ,	27,085	2,708	24,151	2,415
5	Piece Goods, Cotton, . .	—	—	—	—
6	Do. Silk, . . .	—	—	—	—
7	Do. Woollen, ...	—	—	—	—
8	Rice and Paddy,	—	—	—	—
9	Salt, . . .	57,245	5,734	60,700	6,070
10	Silk, raw. . . .	—	—	—	—
11	All other Articles not enumerated above, .	—	—	—	—
Total Rupees		1,17,720	11,772	1,27,944	12,794

Custom House, Young-oo, during the years 1866-67 and 1867-68, omitting fractions.

Number.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES IMPORTED BY LAND, RIVER INCLUDED, BEYOND THE FRONTIER.	Value of Articles Imported by Land during the year 1866-67.	Computed duty Im- ported by Land during the year 1867-68.	Value of Articles Imported by Land during the year 1867-68.	Computed duty Imported by Land during the year 1867-68.
1	Copper,	—	—	133	13
2	Cotton, raw,	564	56	1,468	146
3	Cutch,	5,243	524	17,776	1,777
4	Cutlery,	30	3	1	—
5	Dyes,	—	—	7	—
6	Earthenware,	—	—	6	—
7	Gold Leaf,	22	2	45	4
8	Grain,	88	8	253	25
9	Hardware,	—	—	—	—
10	Hides, Bullock & Buffalo,	3	—	—	—
11	Horns,	—	—	20	2
12	Indigo,	—	—	12	1
13	Jaggery and Molasses,	5,008	500	8,240	824
14	Lacquered-ware,	1,890	189	2,140	214
15	Lead,	—	—	—	—
16	Metal ware,	155	15	333	33
17	Orpiment, yellow,	—	—	—	—
18	Earth Oil,	75	7	83	8
19	Piece Goods, Cotton,	14,864	1,486	18,917	1,891
20	Do. Silk,	5,042	504	2,162	216
21	Ponies,	—	—	—	—
22	Sessamum Oil,	16,106	1,610	13,135	1,313
23	Stick-lac,	588	58	453	45
24	Stones, precious,	—	—	206	20
25	Sugar,	—	—	—	—
26	Tea, dry,	—	—	50	5
27	Tea, wet, (pickled),	1,938	193	2,989	298
28	Timber,	2,77,190	27,719	1,33,600	13,360
29	Tobacco,	142	14	65	6
30	Wheat,	—	—	—	—
31	All other Articles not enumer- ated above,	23,613	2,361	19,403	1,949
Total Rupees		3,52,567	35,256	2,21,594	22,159

REPORT

ON THE TRADE AND CUSTOMS OF THE TENASSERIM DIVISION OF BRITISH BURMA, FOR THE YEAR 1867-68.

From Lieutenant-Colonel E. M. RYAN, Officiating Commissioner of Tenasserim Division British Burma, to HORACE STEARMAN, Esquire, Assistant Secretary to the Chief Commissioner, British Burma,—No. 59 of 1868-69, dated Maulmain, the 8th May 1868.

I HAVE the honor to forward the Annual Trade Returns
X. Y. Z. and Statements A. B. C. D. for the
Trade Report Section VII 1867-68. past official year.

2. There is a general increase in Exports of the value of Rupees 3,03,665 as shown below, caused principally by the previous year's returns showing the results for 11 months only. Also owing to the enhanced rate of Export duty levied on Grain by Act XVII of 1867 passed on the 11th March 1867.

VALUE OF EXPORTS.

1866-67,	...	65,25,817	Rupees.
1867-68,	...	68,29,481	"

Increase...3,03,665 Rupees

3. In comparing the two years 1866-67 and 1867-68 the Exports as given below show the increase and decrease in each item :—

ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	Quantity 1866-67.	Quantity 1867-68.	Increase.	Decrease	Value 1866-67.	Value 1867-68.	Increase.	Decrease
Copper,	Mds.	701	183½	113½	—	7,918	4,722	—	3,146
Cotton, raw,	"	3,055	2,320	—	735	45,831	12,654	—	33,177
Cutch,	"	1,019½	234	—	785½	4,040	2,243	—	2,697
Hides,	No.	787	1,982	1,195	—	2,016	2,054	38	—
Horns,	"	9,783	6,360	—	3,423	2,165	2,653	488	—
Ivory,	Mds.	10½ & 146 lbs.	146 lbs	146 lbs	1½	1,858	2,491	633	—
Lead,	"	5½	117½	111½	—	450	2,965	2,515	—
Orpiment, Yellow,	"	1½	151	150	—	20	3,800	3,780	—
Petroleum,	"	945	399½	—	545½	4,693	1,872	—	2,821
Paddy and Rice,	Tons	32,162½	27,739½	—	4,423	14,63,206	11,64,567	—	2,98,639
Stones, precious,	"	—	—	—	—	500	—	—	500
Stick-lac,	Mds	639½	199½	—	439½	5,133	2,121	—	3,012
Timber,	Tons	48,403	62,470½	14,067½	—	30,91,386	35,74,620	4,83,234	—
Tobacco,	Mds.	4,522½	12,234½	7,712	—	61,766	66,934	5,168	—
Treasure for Govt.,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	3,46,000	99,000	—	2,47,000
Private Parties	"	—	—	—	—	3,04,690	1,64,791	—	1,39,899
Sundries,	"	—	—	—	—	11,83,244	17,21,944	5,38,700	—
Total...		—	—	—	—	65,25,816	68,29,481	3,03,665	—

4. The item which shows the largest increase next to Sundries is our chief staple Timber, of which 62,470½ tons of the value of Rupees 35,74,620 were exported during the year, being in excess over the previous year of 14,068 tons. In Maulmain alone under this head there was an increase in value of Rupees 23,685. This is attributable to there having been larger demands from Indian and Home ports, and a general improvement in the Timber trade. In Sundries there is an increase of Rupees 5,38,700, derived from many and various articles exported. There is an increase in Tobacco, Orpiment yellow, Lead and Ivory, these fluctuate yearly. Hides and Horns have also increased in value a little, but there is a falling off of the latter item by 3,423 in number, caused by there having been less mortality amongst the cattle, and enhanced prices paid for the horns exported.

5. The largest decrease in Exports were in Rice and Paddy, viz., 4,423 tons valued at Rupees 2,98,639, this is chiefly owing to less demand and enhanced rates of duty levied on Grain during the year, which has tended in a measure to lessen the shipments of this staple. At Maulmain there was an increase of 3,323 tons in exportation of Rice, whereas Paddy decreased by 6,493 tons. The former was owing to larger shipments made to the Straits Settlements and to Bengal. The decrease in the exportation of Paddy was caused by the native vessels which flock to this port taking Timber away with them instead of Paddy. At Tavoy there was a falling off in Rice of 1,310 tons and an increase in Paddy of 49 tons owing to the low prices of Rice at the dutiable ports. At Mergui there was an increase of 115 tons in Rice, and a decrease of 106 tons in Paddy, which may be attributed to more Rice being exported to Penang during the year and also exports for the whole year being shown against eleven months only of the previous year.

6. The next large item of decrease is in Government Treasure of Rupees 2,47,000, and Treasure for Private parties

1,39,899, the latter decrease was owing doubtless to the dullness in trade.

7. The export of raw Cotton was less by 785 maunds valued at Rupees 33,177 for the year under review. The quantity exported in 1866-67 was 3,055 maunds, and in 1867-68 2,320 maunds. This may be attributed to there being less demand. Copper, Cutch, Petroleum, Precious Stones, and Stick-lac, have more or less decreased, which may be accounted for by general stagnation of trade during the year under review.

8. Under this head (taken as a whole) as in Exports, there was a satisfactory increase of Rupees 3,91,637. The value of Imports for the past two years is as follows :—

1866-67	Rs 66,61,925
1867-68	„ 70,59,562

Increase Rs 3,91,637

The undernoted Comparative Statement shows the increase and decrease in each item of Imports :—

IMPORTS BY SEA.

ARTICLE	Unit of weight or Number	Quantity 1866-67	Quantity 1867-68	Increase	Decrease	Value 1866-67.	Value 1867-68	Increase	Decrease
Betel nut,	Mds	30,929	30,000	7,160	1,34,000 No.	1,29,946	1,66,604	36,658	—
Cotton Twist & Yarn	Lbs	2,34,810	10,141	1,15,241	—	3,28,573	4,00,561	71,988	—
Crockery ware,	Rts	—	—	—	—	38,613	28,158	—	10,455
Cutlery,	—	—	—	—	—	1,39,053	92,436	—	46,647
Gunny Bags,	No	2,81,645	91,45	—	1,90,000	91,459	20,913	—	64,576
Hardware,	Lbs	—	—	—	—	38,852	26,204	—	12,649
Piece Goods, Cotton	Pieces	2,14,671 & 51,200 yds	2,87,844 & 61,151	70,222	85,615 yds	10,53,313	12,67,690	2,14,177	—
Do. Silk,	„	2,033	47 10	15,368	19,286 yds	3,12,780	1,03,325	91,045	—
Do. Woollen	„	19,218 yds	3,027 30,566	998	—	1,65,414	2,36,760	71,346	—
			36 No 6 & 1 Pc and 70 lbs						
Silk, raw,	Lbs.	6,079	8,060	1,981	—	34,740	43,264	8,524	—
Spirituus Liquors,	Gals.	5,393	4,869	—	523	48,510	36,993	—	11,517
Sugar,	Mds	7,639	4,663	—	2,976	50,753	51,764	—	28,969
Timber, Slabs and Shingles,	Tons	2 & 30,000 No.	6,138 202 No	6,136	29,798 No.	640	791	151	—
Tobacco,	Mds	36,356	21,240	100 No.	12,115	3,74,203	2,88,459	—	85,744
			and 100 No.						
Wines, Beer, &c.,	Gals	20,846	20,662	—	184	68,283	63,362	—	4,921
Treasure for Govt	R.	—	—	—	—	2,22,000	1,90,400	—	31,600
Do Private Parties	„	—	—	—	—	15,06,877	16,73,476	1,66,599	—
Sundries,	„	—	—	—	—	20,30,656	20,61,883	31,227	—
Total		—	—	—	—	66,64,925	70,59,562	3,94,637	—

9. From the foregoing return it will be seen that there was a large increase in Piece Goods of all descriptions as well as of Cotton Twist, Yarn, raw Silk and Betel-nut—this was caused principally by there being a brisker trade during the year in Timber which gave an impetus to the demand for the above articles. A great number of vessels also arrived during the year bringing with them cargoes of the above named description. The largest increase has occurred in Maulmain as will be seen from the list here given, viz :—

	Value Rs
1. Betel-nut, ...	33,860
2. Cotton Twist and Yarn, ...	32,645
3. Piece Goods, Cotton, ...	1,42,233
4. „ Silk, ...	57,020
5. „ Woollen, ...	45,047
6 Silk, raw, ...	1,385

10. The import of Treasure on account of Private parties has considerably increased, owing principally to larger remittances being received for purchase of Timber, &c. Slabs and Shingles have also increased slightly, caused by a little more importation in Tavoy and Mergui. In Sundries there is a large increase of Rupees 31,227 which is made up of various articles, calling for no special remark.

11. The decrease in Imports during the past year was in the following items :—Crockery-ware, Cutlery, Hardware, Gunny bags, Liquors, Sugar, Tobacco, Wines, Beer, &c., and Treasure for Government. This may be attributed to larger quantities having been imported in the year previous. Sugar and Spirituous Liquors have fallen off, which may be partly attributed to there being a local manufacture of those commodities. Tobacco was not so largely imported from Coringa during the past year owing to there being a large quantity unsold from former years.

12. The Tables given below show the relative value of Imports and Exports for the past two years, and the amount of Duty, exclusive of Fines, Confiscations and Godown Rent.

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

PORTS.	1866-67.	1867-68.	Increase.	Decrease.
MAULMAIN, ...	116,03,876	123,95,899	7,92,023	—
TAVOY, ...	10,23,283	8,28,300	—	1,94,983
MERGUI, ...	5,63,583	6,64,844	1,01,261	—
Total ..	131,90,742	138,89,043	8,98,284	1,94,983
		• Net	6,98,301	

DUTY REALIZED FROM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

PORTS.	1866-67.	1867-68.	Increase.	Decrease.
MAULMAIN, ..	90,606	1,19,315	28,709	...
TAVOY, ..	19,540	22,262	2,722	...
MERGUI, ..	3,050	4,988	1,938	...
Total..	1,13,196	1,46,565	33,369	...

13. There is a net increase of Rupees 6,98,301 in Imports and Exports during the year under review, particulars of which have already been stated in this report. In Customs Revenue there is also a large increase of Rupees 33,369 which would be still greater were Fines, Confiscations, Godown Rent, &c. included in it. This increase is chiefly attributable to the enhanced rate of Export duty levied on Grain and also to the large importations of Piece Goods, &c. during the year. The largest increase under this head has occurred in Maulmain which amounts to Rupees 28,709.

14. The trade in Rice, Paddy and Timber at the ports of Maulmain, Tavoy and Mergui for the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 is shown in the following Table :—

PORTS.	Articles.	1866-67.	1867-68.	Increase.	Decrease.
MAULMAIN, ...	Rice, ...	6,50,998	7,53,795½	1,02,797½	...
	Paddy,	5,69,215	2,58,693½	...	3,10,521½
	Timber,	30,84,316	35,62,984	4,78,668	...
TAVOY, ...	Rice, ...	2,13,595	1,26,559	...	87,036
	Paddy,	501	1,380	879	...
	Timber,	6,809	11,445	4,636	...
MERGUI, ...	Rice, ...	23,586	23,031	45	...
	Paddy,	5,311	508	...	4,803
	Timber,	261	191	...	70
Total ..		15,54,592	47,39,187	5,87,025	4,02,430

15. The principal Imports on account of Government have during the past year decreased by Rupees 19,307. The value of Imports in 1867-68 was Rupees 4,95,091 whilst that in the year previous was Rupees 5,14,398. Fines and Confiscations have also decreased by Rupees 1,695-11-10.

16. The returns A. B. C. D. which accompany this report speak for themselves, they profess to show the effect of the alterations of Duty since Act XVII of 1867 took effect. Two additional Statements of Imports and Exports are supplemented by Mr. Twemlow, they show the effect of the new Tariff which includes and excludes certain articles not in the old Tariff, and shows what Duty has been abandoned on articles in the new Tariff.

17. I have every reason to be satisfied with the manner Mr. Twemlow and the Deputy Commissioners as *Ex-officio* Customs Officers have conducted their duties for the year under review.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Export and Import, entered at the Sea Custom House

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
			To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden, and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Copper, ...	Mds.	110½	3,112	—	—	73	1,660	183½	4,772
2	Cotton, raw, ..	„	89½	501	—	—	2,230½	12,153	2,320	12,654
3	Cutch, ..	„	222½	2,145	—	—	11½	98	234	2,243
4	Hides, ..	No.	200	50	965	1,440	817	564	1,982	2,054
5	Horns, ...	„	—	—	6,245	2,613	115	40	6,360	2,653
6	Ivory, ...	Mds.	4½	1,284	2	250 2½ & 146lbs	957 9½ & 146lbs	—	—	2,491
7	Lead, ..	„	95½	2,652	½	6	21	307	117½	2,965
8	Orpiment, Yellow, ..	„	151½	3,800	—	—	—	—	151½	3,800
9	Petroleum, ...	„	349½	1,535	16½	55	34	282	399½	1,872
10	Paddy and Rice, ...	Tons	10,791½	3,63,443	16,278½	7,56,506	669½	44,618	27,739½	11,64,567
11	Stones, Precious, ..	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Stick-lac, ..	Mds.	59½	438	43½	512	96	1,171	199½	2,121
13	Timber, ..	Tons	44,622	24,31,347	14,656½	9,44,489	3,191½	1,98,784	62,470½	35,74,620
14	Tobacco, ..	Mds.	112½	5,605	385½	7,895	11,737	53,434	12,234½	66,934
15	Treasure, ..	„	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	For Government, ..	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	99,000	—	99,000
17	„ Private Parties, ..	„	—	5,000	—	1,04,029	—	55,762	—	1,64,791
18	Sundries, ..	„	—	2,19,334	—	70,698	—	14,31,912	—	17,21,944
Total.			—	30,40,246	—	18,88,493	—	19,00,742	—	68,29,481

in the Tenasserim Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.			
			From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Betel-nut,	Mds.	8,046½	64,788	18,975½ and 5,03,000 No.	95,593
2	Cotton Twist & Yarn,	lbs.	1,41,828	1,39,572	57,189	67,801
3	Crockery-ware,	Rs.	—	4,072	—	7,542
4	Cutlery,	„	—	84,254	—	1,495
5	Gunny Bags,	No.	28,152	7,919	6,550	1,310
6	Hardware,	Rs.	—	9,728	—	7,618
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	1,00,946	5,15,167	49,237½ & 611 yds.	1,23,800
8	Do. Silk,	„	15,729	99,456	8,026	65,249
9	Do. Woollen,	„	3,769	86,750	248,36,566½ yds. No. 36 & 6½ Pcs.	67,281
10	Silk, raw,	lbs.	—	—	641½	3,876
11	Spirituous Liquors,	Galls.	190	2,026	2,370½	15,941
12	Sugar,	Mds.	3,116½	37,299	1,112½	10,127
13	Timber, Slabs, Shingles,	Tons	—	—	—	—
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	17,803	2,01,237	182½ & 100 No.	8,744
15	Wines and Beer,	Galls.	1,248	6,947	11,732½	34,785
	Treasure,					
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	25,000	—	—
	B for Private Parties,	„	—	2,52,980	—	2,33,768
16	Sundries,	—	—	6,47,151	—	4,04,718
	Total			21,84,346		11,49,448

X.—(Concluded.)

Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom Houses in the Tenasserim Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.				Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
			From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.		
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	
1	Betel-nut,	Mds	1,068 & 10,000 No	6,223	28,090½ and 5,13,000 No.	1,66,604	
2	Cotton Twist & Yarn,	lbs.	1,41,134	1,93,188	3,40,151	4,00,561	
3	Crockery ware,	Rs.	-	16,514	-	28,158	
4	Cutlery,	"	-	6,687	-	92,436	
5	Gunny Bags,	No.	56,893	17,684	91,595	26,913	
6	Hardware,	Rs.	-	8,857	-	26,203	
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	1,37,710	6,28,923	2,87,893 & 611 yds.	12,67,690	
8	Do. Silk,	"	23,646	2,39,120	47,401	4,03,825	
9	Do. Woollen,	"	2,010 & 7 Cases	82,729	6,027-36,566½ yds No 36 & 6½ Pes. and 7 Cases.	2,36,760	
10	Silk, raw,	lbs	7,418½	39,388	5,060	43,264	
11	Spirituous Liquors,	Galls.	2,808½	19,026	4,869½	36,993	
12	Sugar,	Mds	434½	4,358	4,663½	51,784	
13	Timber, Slabs, Shingles,	Tons,	6 & 38,202 No.	791	6 & 38,202 No.	791	
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	6,251½	78,178	24,210½ & 100 No.	2,88,459	
15	Wines and Beer,	Galls.	7,682	21,630	20,662½	63,362	
	Treasure,						
	A for Government,	Rs.	-	1,65,400	-	1,90,400	
	B for Private Parties,	"	-	11,86,728	-	16,73,476	
16	Sundries,	"	-	10,10,014	-	20,61,883	
	Total.			37,25,768		70,59,562	138,89,044

Y.

Abstract Statement of the Value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom Houses of the Tenasserim Division, during the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.
MAULMAIN,	30,38,746	21,84,196	17,17,221	9,29,604	12,87,659	32,38,373	60,43,726	63,52,173
TAVOY,	—	150	1,30,339	1,71,828	3,07,066	2,19,917	4,37,405	3,90,895
MERGUI,	1,500	—	40,833	48,016	3,06,017	2,68,478	3,48,350	3,16,494
Total	30,40,246	21,84,346	18,88,493	11,49,448	16,00,742	35,25,768	68,29,481	70,59,562

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Abstract Statement of the Value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom House of the Tenasserim Division, during the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

DIVISION.	NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	Total Value for each Custom House.	Amount of Duty realized.	Total value for each Custom House corresponding with the Quarter of previous year.	Total amount of Duty in corresponding Quarter of previous year.	REMARKS.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
TENASSERIM.	MAULMAIN,	123,95,899	1,19,315	116,03,876	90,606	PRINCIPAL IMPORTS BY OR ON ACCOUNT OF GOVERNMENT.
						Coal, —
						Timber, —
						Treasure, 1,90,400
						Medical Stores, 1,300
						Military do. 1,097
						Marine do. (Flag) 16 6
						Police Clothing, 2,124 10
						Telegraph Stores, —
						Opium, 2,03,040
						Stationery, Stamp Paper & Printed Forms, 29,213
						Machinery, 67,960
						Agricultural Implements, —
	MERCUT,	6,64,844	4,988	5,63,583	3,050	Total Rupees . 4,95,091
	Total	138,89,043	1,46,565	131,90,742	1,13,196	Amount of Fines and Confiscations during Quarter not included in amount of duty, ... } 283 2
						Godown Rent, 591 11
						Total Rupees . 874 13

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the undermentioned Ports in the Tenasserim Division of the Province of British Burma, for the year 1867-68, including fractions.

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.			To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Adeu.							
			United Kingdom.		Foreign Europe.		Straits Settlement.		To all other Foreign Ports.	
			Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
			Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
MAULMAIN,	Rice,	...	3,517½	1,67,445½	773½	51,976	4,661	1,98,765	2,001½	1,57,352
	Paddy,	...	—	—	—	—	27½	567½	1,013	31,238½
	Timber,	..	12,634½	8,11,409	976½	68,397	23½	1,382	1,022½	63,301
TAVOY,	Rice,	.	—	—	—	—	2,000	71,384	1,538	54,683
	Paddy,	.	—	—	—	—	66	1,380	—	—
	Timber,	.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
MERCUI,	Rice,	.	—	—	—	—	660*	21,455	—	—
	Paddy,	..	—	—	—	—	15*	260	—	—
	Timber,	.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL, ..	Rice,	.	3,517½	1,67,445½	773½	51,976	7,327	2,91,604	3,539	2,12,035
	Paddy,	..	—	—	—	—	108½	2,207½	1,013	31,238½
	Timber,	.	12,634½	8,11,409	976½	68,397	23½	1,302	1,022½	63,301

* Fractions excluded.

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*Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the under-
tioned Ports in the Tenasserim Division of the Province of British Burma,
for the year 1867-68, including fractions.*

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.		To Home or In- ternal Ports sub- ject to the Go- vernment of In- dia, but exclud- ing the Straits and Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Ports within the Territories of British Bur- ma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Total by Land.		Grand Total Sea and Land	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
MAULMAIN,	Rice,	2,870	1,36,555	591½	41,702	14,414½	5,73,795½	—	—	14,414½	5,73,795½
	Paddy, ..	7,921½	2,26,888	—	—	8,962	2,58,693½	—	—	8,962	2,58,693½
	Timber,	44,622	24,31,347	2,976½	1,87,148	62,255½	35,62,984	—	—	62,255½	35,62,984
TAVOY,	Rice,	—	—	7	492	3,545	1,26,559	—	—	3,545	1,26,559
	Paddy,	—	—	—	—	66	1,380	—	—	66	1,380
	Timber,	—	—	206	11,445	206	11,445	—	—	206	11,445
MERGUT, ...	Rice,	—	—	59*	2,176	726	23,631	—	—	726	23,631
	Paddy,	—	—	11*	248	26	508	—	—	26	508
	Timber,	—	—	9½	191	9½	191	—	—	9½	191
Total	Rice,	2,870	1,36,555	657½	44,370	18,685½	9,03,985½	—	—	18,685½	9,03,985½
	Paddy,	7,921½	2,26,888	11	248	9,050	2,60,581½	—	—	9,050	2,60,581½
	Timber,	44,622	24,31,347	3,191½	1,98,784	62,470½	35,74,620	—	—	62,470½	35,74,620

* Fractions excluded.

From W. TWEMLOW, Esq, Collector of Custom, to the Commissioner of Tenasserim Division British Burma, Maulmain,—No. 10, Maulmain Custom House, the 17th April 1868.

I HAVE the honor to forward the Annual Trade Returns X. Y. and Z. for the year 1867-68.

It is usual to forward with these Statements A. B. C. and D., which professes to show the effect of alterations of Duty since Act XVII of 1867, passed on the 11th March 1867, took effect. The previous year's Returns showed the results for 11 months. Those now prepared are comparisons for the whole year of 1867-68 with that of 1866-67.

Two Supplemental Statements are also given to show the effect of the new Tariff which includes and excludes certain articles not in the old Tariff, and thus is shown what duty has been abandoned by articles not appearing in the Tariff.

The aggregate of Imports and Exports amounts to 123,95,899 Rupees. The previous year the amount was 128,65,811. The decrease this year amounts to 4,69,912, which will be accounted for when the Exports and Imports are separately reviewed.

EXPORTS.

The aggregate of Exports is Rupees 30,43,726. In the previous year it was 64,96,501, showing a decrease of 4,52,775 Rupees.

Taking the items separately those which show a decrease are as follows :—

Copper,	...	...	...	4,096
Cotton, raw,	...	...	...	46,827
Cutch,	...	...	—	2,777
Hides,	...	...	...	2,409
Horns,	...	...	...	192
Petroleum,	...	...	...	3,010
Paddy and Rice,	...	...	...	5,13,365
Stones, Precious,	...	...	...	500
Stick-lac,	...	...	...	3,777
Tobacco,	...	...	...	5,344
Treasure for Government,	...	...	...	1,02,000
" Private Parties,	...	...	...	1,05,944

Total 7,90,241

The items that show an increase are :—

Ivory, ...	...	...	...	544
Lead, ...	...	...	...	2,515
Orpiment, yellow, ...	...	...	...	3,780
Timber, ...	...	...	...	23,685
Sundries, ...	...	...	...	3,06,942
Total...				<u>3,37,466</u>

The items that show the largest decrease are Cotton, Grain and Treasure. The Export trade was to some extent depressed on account of the general stagnation prevailing in Rengal and England.

IMPORTS.

The Imports amounts to Rs. 63,52,173. In the previous year it was Rs. 63,69,310, showing a small decrease of 17,137 Rupees.

The items that exhibit a decrease are :—

Crockery-ware, ...	...	...	...	11,797
Cutlery, ...	...	...	...	51,004
Gunny Bags, ...	...	...	...	65,728
Hardware, ...	...	...	...	16,999
Spirits, ...	...	...	...	14,870
Sugar, ...	...	...	...	35,531
Timber, ...	...	...	...	120
Tobacco, ...	...	...	...	81,499
Wines and Beer, ...	...	...	...	12,713
Treasure for Government, ...	...	...	...	19,600
Sundries, ...	...	...	...	1,80,145
Total...				<u>4,92,906</u>

The items that show an increase are :—

Betel-nut, ...	...	...	...	33,860
Cotton Twist and Yarn, ...	...	...	...	32,645
Piece Goods, Cotton, ...	...	...	...	1,42,233
„ Silk, ...	...	...	...	57,020
„ Woollen, ...	...	...	...	45,047
Silk, raw, ...	...	...	...	1,385
Private Treasury, ...	...	...	...	1,63,579
Total...				<u>4,75,769</u>

The Duty collections of this department have not diminished notwithstanding that trade has been so stagnant. They amount this year to Rs. 2,19,315, while in the previous year the amount was Rupees 1,11,341, being an increase of Rupees 7,972, which is satisfactory. If this year's results be contrasted with that of 1865-66 it will show a larger increase of Rupees 15,938.

I beg to state that during the year several cases of smuggling of Opium and Spirits have been brought to light, through the activity of the Officers of this department, but more especially Mr. G. Peché, the Superintendent of the Preventive Service. The Opium cases were tried by the Magistrate. In one case a Chinaman was detected endeavoring to pass Gunpowder by describing it as Wheat flour, for which he was duly punished. In another case the Master of a Chinese Junk was convicted and punished for selling 10 cases of Brandy to one of the shops which were surreptitiously brought ashore and on which duty had not been paid. The principal smuggling I fear is carried on in remote places, such as Yca, Henzai, Karoopee, Beeloogyoon, and on the north eastern side of Amherst or the Village of Wagroo. I think that if the Deputy Commissioner were apprised of this, that it would be in his power to direct the Myo-okcs and Native Officials in those quarters to give assistance and to apprehend parties who break bulk from vessels which come in from Penang. In like manner, there is no check over vessels which take in Rice there to evade the duty.

If all Junks from the Straits were boarded by the Government Pilot in conjunction with a Preventive Officer and brought up to town by a Pilot, like other Native Crafts, there would be some check over Chinese smugglers.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom House

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
			To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden, and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Copper, ...	Mds.	110½	3,112	—	—	73	1,660	183½	4,772
2	Cotton, raw, ..	..	89½	501	—	—	2,120½	11,410	2,210	11,911
3	Cutch, ..	..	222½	2,145	—	—	11½	98	234	2,243
4	Hides, ..	No.	200	50	444	908	817	564	1,461	1,522
5	Horns, ..	..	—	—	5,397	2,530	115	40	5,512	2,570
6	Ivory, ...	Mds.	4½	1,254	2	250	2½	690	9½	2,224
7	Lead, ..	..	95½	2,652	½	6	21	307	117½	2,965
8	Orpiment, Yellow, ..	..	151½	3,800	—	—	—	—	151½	3,800
9	Petroleum, ...	..	349½	1,535	16½	55	22	225	367½	1,815
10	Paddy and Rice, ..	Tons	10,791½	3,63,143	11,993½	6,07,344	591½	41,702	23,376½	10,12,489
11	Stones, Precious, ..	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Stick-lac, ..	Mds.	59½	488	43½	512	76	826	179½	1,776
13	Timber, ..	Tons	44,622	24,31,347	14,656½	9,44,489	2,976½	1,87,148	62,255½	35,62,984
14	Tobacco, ..	Mds.	112½	5,605	876½	7,600	10,640	38,639	11,129	51,844
15	Treasure, ..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
A	For Government, ..	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	1,000	—	1,000
B	„ Private Parties, ..	..	—	5,000	—	1,04,029	—	28,552	—	1,37,581
16	Sundries, ..	..	—	2,17,834	—	49,598	—	9,74,798	—	12,42,230
Total				30,38,746		17,17,321		12,87,659		60,43,726

Calcutta, in the Tenasserim Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

Sl. No.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.			
			From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden	
			Quantity	Value Rs.	Quantity	Value Rs.
1	Betel-nut,	Mds	8,0161	64,788	17,867½	91,370
2	Cotton Twist and Yarn,	lbs	1 11,828	1,39,572	53,639	64,453
3	Crockery-ware,	Rs.		4 072		5,894
4	Cutlery,	"		84,254		1,431
5	Gunny Bags,	No	28 152	7,919	6,550	1,310
6	Hardware,	Rs.		9,728		5,336
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	1,00,946	5,15 167	46,580½ & 61½ yds	1,12,802
8	Do. Silk,	"	1,729	59 456	8,026	65,249
9	Do. Woollen,	"	3,769	80,750	248 36,566½ yds No 36 & 6½ Pes	67,281
10	Silk, raw,	lbs			332½	1,764
11	Spirituous Liquors,	Galls	190	2,026	2,028½	14,823
12	Sugar,	Mds	3,115½	37,297	1,067½	9,390
13	Timber, (Slabs),	Tons				—
14	Tobacco,	Mds	17,803½	2,01,237	100 Nos. & 168½ Mds	8,104
15	Wines and Beer,	Galls	1,248	6,947	11,621½	34,163
	Treasure,					
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	25,000	—	—
	B for Private Parties,	"	—	2,52,980	—	69,290
16	Sundries,	"	—	6,47,001	—	3,76,444
	Total			21,84,196		9 29,604

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Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom House Maulmain, in the Tenasserim Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fraction.

Number.	ARTICLES	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.				Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
			From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies		Total.		
			Quantity	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	
1	Betel-nut,	Mds	883½	5,851	26,797½	1,62,209	
2	Cotton Twist and Yarn,	lbs.	1,06,022	1 15,897	3,01,480	3,49,922	
3	Crockery ware,	Rs	—	15,312	—	25,278	
4	Cutlery,	„	—	6,006	—	91,691	
5	Gunny Bags,	No	56,543	17,559	91,245	26,788	
6	Hardware,	„	—	6,172	—	21,236	
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	1,26,488	5,89,434	2,74,014½ Pieces & 611 yds.	12,17,403	
8	Do. Silk,	„	21,585	2,22,351	47 ½	3,87,056	
9	Do. Woollen,	„	1,521	76,089	5,538 Pes 36,566½ yds. No 36 & 64 Pair	2,30,120	
10	Silk, raw,	lbs	535	1,946	667½	3,710	
11	Spirituous Liquors,	Galls.	1,535	16,284	3,753½	33,133	
12	Sugar,	Mds.	426½	4,253	4,610½	50,942	
13	Timber, (Slabs),	Tons,	—	—	—	—	
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	2,398½	30,001	20,370½ Mds. & 100 No.	2,39,342	
15	Wines and Beer,	Galls.	7,405	20,536	20,274½	61,946	
	Treasure,						
	A for Government,	Rs	—	1,64,400	—	1,89,400	
	B for Private Parties,	„	—	11,61,126	—	14,83,396	
16	Sundries,	„	—	7,55,156	—	17,78,601	
	Total.			32,38,373		63,52,173	123,95,899

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Abstract Statement of the Value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Ports and Inland Custom House of the Tenasserim Division, for the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.
MAULMAIN,	30,38,746	21,84,196	17,17,321	9,29,604	12,87,659	32,38,373	60,43,726	63,52,173

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Abstract Statement of the Value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Port and Inland Custom House of the Tenasserim Division, for the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	Total Value for each Custom House.	Amount of Duty realized.	Total value for each Custom House corresponding with the Quarter of previous year.	Total amount of Duty in corresponding Quarter of previous year.	REMARKS
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
MAULMAIN,	123,95 899	1 19 315	116,03,876	90,606	PRINCIPAL IMPORTS BY OR ON ACCOUNT OF GOVERNMENT.
					Coal,
					Timber,
					Treasure,
					Medical Stores,
					Military do
					Marine do
					Commissariat do
					Telegraph do.
					Opium,
					Stationery and Stamp Paper.
					Machinery,
					Agricultural Implements,
					Total Rupees
					Amount of Fines and Confiscations during Quarter not included in amount of duty,
					Godown Rent,
					Total Rupees

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Reported from the undermentioned Port in the Tenasserim Division of the Province of British Burma, for the year 1867-68, including fractions

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.							
	United Kingdom.		Foreign Europe		Straits Settlement.		To all other Foreign Ports.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
MAULMAIN,								
Rice,	3,517½	1,67,445½	773½	51,976	4,661	1,98,765	2,001½	1,57,352
Paddy,	—	—	—	—	27½	567½	1,013	31,238½
Timber,	12,634½	8,11,409	976½	68,397	23½	1,382	1,022½	63,301

Z. -- (Concluded.)

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the undermentioned Ports in the Tenasserim Division of the Province of British Burma, for the year 1867-68, including fractions.

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Total by Land.		Grand Total by Sea and Land.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
MAULMAIN,										
Rice,	2,870	1,36,555	591½	41,702	14,414½	7,53,795½	—	—	14,414½	7,53,795½
Paddy,	7,921½	2,26,888	—	—	8,962	2,58,693½	—	—	8,962	2,58,693½
Timber,	44,622	24,31,347	2,976½	1,87,148	62,255½	35,62,984	—	—	62,255½	35,62,984

From Lieut.-Colonel G FAITHFULL, Deputy Commissioner, and *Ex-officio* Collector of Customs, to the Commissioner Tenasserim Division British Burma,—No. 6, dated Tavoy, the 15th April 1868.

I HAVE the honor to submit a report of business transacted in the Customs Department Tavoy, for the year 1867-68 with the Statements X. Y. Z.

The total collection of Customs duties in 1867-68 is Rupees 22,262, showing, as compared with that of last year's collections, an increase of Rupees 2,722.

2. The collections on Exports in the past year amounts to Rupees 19,159, which exceeds by Rupees 1,714 over that of the preceding year, owing to the enhanced rate of Export duty levied on Grain according to the instruction conveyed in the Notification published in the Gazette Extraordinary of British Burma, dated Rangoon the 8th March 1867, received here with the Commissioner's Circular No. and date as per margin, which took effect on the 27th March 1867, although upwards of 37,000 maunds or 46,000 baskets of less quantity of Rice exported to the dutiable Ports during 1867-68 than in the previous year.

3. The amount of duty on Imports in the year 1867-68 is Rupees 3,103. In comparing this with the collections under the same head of the preceding year, there is an increase of Rupees 1,008, chiefly owing to 319 gallons of Gin and Brandy imported during the year whilst none were imported in the previous year.

4. The total value of dutiable Exports in 1867-68 is Rupees 1,30,339, and in the previous year it amounted to Rupees 2,14,141, there being a falling off of 83,802 Rupees, which is entirely owing to the smaller quantity of Rice exported during the past year to the dutiable Ports than last year, as the price of Rice being too low at those Ports to remunerate the shippers, and the number of vessels that have

left for the dutiable Ports (Penang and Siamese Ports) has been less by 12 vessels.

5. The total value of dutiable goods imported during the past year shows an increase of Rupees 1,763. The value in 1866-67 being 31,697 Rupees, and in 1867-68 Rupees 33,460. This increase is solely attributable to the importation of Spirits as stated in para. 3.

6. The total value of free Exports in 1867-68 is Rupees 2,12,056 whilst in the previous year it was only 1,30,171 Rupees, showing an increase of Rupees 81,885 owing to the trade with free Ports having been brisker in 1867-68—about 62 vessels more than in the previous year cleared out for free Ports.

7. The value of free goods imported from free Ports in 1867-68 amounts to Rupees 212,917 and in the previous it was 2,04,359 Rupees, increase Rupees 9,558 may be set down to the number of vessels that arrived at this Port from free Ports having been larger this year than the previous year.

8. The Treasure exported during 1867-68 amount to Rupees 15,010, excluding 80,000 Rupees remitted on account of Government, there is a decrease of Rupees 10,485 when compared with Treasure exported in 1866-67. Treasure is generally exported from Tavoy for the purpose of purchasing Rice at Rangoon and Maulmain, and some times at Bassein, for sale at dutiable Ports, but the higher price prevailing at the former Ports making it unremunerative debarred the shippers from exports of Treasure.

9. Treasure imports during the past year is Rupees 1,43,518, a decrease on last year's imports by 57,902 Rupees, owing to the falling off of the Rice trade this year with dutiable Ports, and the smaller number of vessels cleared out for those Ports.

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Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom House Tarej, in the Tenasserim Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
			To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden, and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependences.		Total.	
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.
1	Copper.	Mds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Cotton, raw,	"	—	—	—	—	106	718	106	718
3	Gutch,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Hides	No	—	—	439	388	—	—	439	388
5	Horns.	"	—	—	654	59	—	—	654	59
6	Ivory,	Mds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	Lead,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Orpiment, Yellow,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Petroleum,	"	—	—	—	—	12	57	12	57
10	Paddy and Rice.	Tons	—	—	3,604	1,27,417	7	492	3,611	1,27,939
11	Stones, Precious,	Rs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Stick-lac,	Mds.	—	—	—	—	11	185	11	185
13	Timber,	Tons	—	—	—	—	206	11,445	206	11,445
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	—	—	2	60	801	10,563	803	10,625
15	Treasure,									
A	For Government,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	80,000	—	80,000
B	„ Private Parties,	"	—	—	—	—	—	15,010	—	15,010
16	Sundries,	"	—	—	—	2,585	—	1,88,594	—	1,90,979
	Total		—	—	—	1,39,329	—	2,07,066	—	4,37,405

N.--(Concluded.)

*Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom House
Twelve, in the Tenasserim Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, including fractions*

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.								Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
			From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.		
			Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity.	Value. Rs.	Quantity	Value. Rs.	Quantity	Value Rs.	
1	Betel-nut,	Mds.	--	--	1,108	3,169	185	357	1,293	3,526	
2	Cotton Twist & Yarn,	lbs.	--	--	2,959	2,859	11,967	19,955	14,926	22,814	
3	Crockery-ware,	Rs.	--	--	--	447	--	354	--	801	
4	Cutlery,	"	--	--	--	64	--	366	--	430	
5	Gunny Bags,	No	--	--	--	--	50	25	50	25	
6	Hardware,	Rs	--	--	--	1,122	--	1,357	--	2,509	
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	--	--	1,371	4,855	2,996	14,596	4,367	19,451	
8	Do. Silk,	"	--	--	--	--	1,068	8,408	1,068	8,408	
9	Do. Woollen	"	--	--	--	--	47	1,428	47	1,428	
10	Silk, raw,	lbs	--	--	241	1,674	4,793	22,107	5,036	23,781	
11	Spirituuous Liquors,	Galls	--	--	319	891	54	360	373	1,251	
12	Sugar,	Mds	--	--	43	712	--	--	43	712	
13	Timber, (Slabs,)	Tons,	--	--	--	--	6	185	6	185	
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	--	--	4	160	2,592	30,395	2,596	30,555	
15	Wines and Beer,	Galls.	--	--	71	197	102	368	173	565	
	Treasure,										
	A for Government,	Rs.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
	B for Private Parties	"	--	--	--	1,38,518	--	5,000	--	1,43,518	
16	Sundries.	"	--	150	--	17,160	--	1,13,626	--	1,30,936	
	Total .	.		150		1,71,828		2,18,917		3,90,895	8,28,3

Y.

Abstract Statement of the Value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the unmentioned Port and Island Custom House of the Tenasserim Division, during the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma.		To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.	Exports. Rs.	Imports. Rs.
TAVOY,	—	150	1,30,339	1,71,828	3,07,066	2,18,917	4,37,405	3,90,895

Y.—(Concluded.)

Abstract Statement of the Value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the undermentioned Port and Inland Custom House of the Tenasserim Division, during the year 1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	Total Value for each Custom House.	Amount of Duty realized.	Total value for each Custom House corresponding with the Quarter of previous year.	Total amount of Duty in corresponding Quarter of previous year.	REMARKS
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	
TAVOY,	8,28,700	22,262	10,23,283	19,540	PRINCIPAL IMPORTS BY OR ON ACCOUNT OF GOVERNMENT.
					Coal,
					Timber,
					Treasure.
					Medical Stores,
					Military do.
					Naval do
					Commisariat do.
					Telegraph do.
					Opium,
					Stationery,
					Machinery,
					Agricultural Implements,
					Total Rupees
					Amount of Fines and Confiscations during Quarter not included in amount of duty,
					Wharfage,
					Total Rupees

Z

*Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the undermentioned Port in the Tenasserim Division of the Province of British Burma,
for the year 1867-68, excluding fractions*

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden							
	United Kingdom.		Foreign Europe.		Straits Settlement.		To all other Foreign Ports.	
	Quantity Tons.	Value. Rs.	Quantity. Tons.	Value. Rs.	Quantity. Tons.	Value. Rs.	Quantity. Tons.	Value. Rs.
TAVOY.								
Rice,	—	—	—	—	2,000	71,384	1,538	54,683
Paddy,	—	—	—	—	66	1,380	—	—
Timber,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Z. — (Concluded)

*Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the undermentioned Port in the Tenasserim Division of the Province of British Burma,
for the year 1867-68, excluding fractions.*

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Total by Land.		Grand Total by Sea and Land.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
TAVOY.										
Rice,	—	—	7	492	3,545	1,26,559	—	—	3,545	1,26,559
Paddy,	—	—	—	—	66	1,380	—	—	66	1,380
Timber,	—	—	206	11,445	206	11,445	—	—	206	11,445

From T. SHEPHERD, Esq., Deputy Commissioner, Mergui, to the Commissioner, Tenasserim Division, British Burma, Maulmain,—No. 1, dated Mergui, the 11th April 1868.

Statements X, Y and Z.

Statement of Ships and Tonnage.

Do. A B C and D.

Do. exhibiting the Quantity and Value of Free Imports from Indian Ports.

Do. do. of Free Exports to do.

Do. do. of Imports Re-Exported to do.

Do. do. the number of Ships and Tonnage.

Do. do. of Duty Imports from Foreign Ports.

Do. do. of do. Exports to do.

Do. do. of Free Imports from do.

Do. do. of do. Exports to do.

Do. do. of Imports Re-Exported to do.

Do. do. of the number of Ships and Tonnage do

Account of the several articles of Imports (External Trade.)

Do. do. do. Exports (do. do.)

Abstract Statement of Ships and Tonnage

Do. do. of Imports and Exports for 4 years.

I HAVE the honor to forward the Customs Returns of this Port for the year 1867-68, with a report as per marginally noted.

* TRADE REPORT OF MERGUI FOR THE YEAR 1867-68.

The Export and Import trade of Mergui is small and principally local.

The value of Exports and Imports for the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 are as follows :—

	Imports.	Exports.
1866-67, ... Rs.	52,352 12 3	Rs. 24,986 14 11
1867-68, ... „	48,016 3 6	„ 40,833 9 1
Increase, ...	...	... „ 15,846 10 2
Decrease, ... Rs.	4,336 8 9	

The above statement shows a decrease in foreign Imports, caused by the smaller import of private treasure and a large increase to the Exports from increase export of Grain to Penang, and also exports for the whole year being shown against eleven months last year.

The Comparative Statement of Grain exported to Foreign Ports during the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 is as follows :—

		Maunds		Value		Duty
Rice,	... 1866-67,	18,408	Rs	20,319 12 9	Rs	1,076 1 7
Do	... 1867-68,	18,188	„	21,455 5 0	„	3,410 4 0
	Increase...	4,780	Rs	1,106 11 8	Rs.	1,734 2 5
	Paddy...	411½	„	260 0 0	„	77 2 6
		5,191½	Rs.	1,366 11 3	Rs.	1,811 4 11

The above statement shows an increase in quantity, value, and Customs duty. The value has not increased in the same ratio with the quantity, owing to the low price of Rice this year, and the large quantity in store. The large increase in Customs duty is caused by the enhanced duty on grain which came into force here on the 1st of the official year.

The following shows the Customs Collections for the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 :—

	Export Duty	Import Duty.	Total
1866-67.	Rs 1,738 7 8	Rs 1,312 1 1	Rs 3,050 11 9
1867-68,	„ 3,582 12 8	„ 1,405 11 6	„ 4,988 8 2
Increase	Rs 1,844 5 0	Rs 93 7 5	Rs 1,937 12 5

The above statement shows a very satisfactory increase on both Export and Import duty, owing principally to the extra duty on grain.

The value of Exports and Imports to Home Ports for the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 is as follows :—

	Exports.	Imports.
1866-67, ...	Rs. 2,96,086	Rs 1,90,159
1867-68, ...	„ 3,07,517	„ 2,68,478
Increase	Rs. 11,431	Rs. 78,319

The above statement shows a large increase both in Exports and Imports caused by the gradually increasing trade of the port.

The total value of all Exports and Imports during the years 1866-67 and 1867-68 is as per statement :—

1866-67, ...	Rs. 563,583
1867-68, ...	„ 664,814
Increase, ..	<u>Rs 101,261</u>

The above increase shows that the trade of the port is steadily increasing and for the last three years there has been a large increase, and there is every prospect of its continuing to do so.

- During the past year 337 baskets of Sessamum, value Rupees 1,011, have been exported to Maulmain, but no Tobacco or Cotton.

Statement showing the principal Articles of Exports and Imports entered at the Sea Custom House

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	EXPORTS BY SEA.							
			To Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden, and the Ports of British Burma.		To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden		To Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total.	
			£	Value Rs.	Quantity	Value Rs.	Quantity	Value Rs.	Quantity	Value Rs.
1	Copper,	Mds.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Cotton, raw,	"	—	—	—	—	4	25	4	25
3	Cutch,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Hides,	No.	—	—	82	144	—	—	82	144
5	Horns,	"	—	—	194	24	—	—	194	24
6	Ivory,	lbs	—	—	—	—	146	267	146	267
7	Lead,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Orpiment, Yellow,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Petroleum,	"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Paddy and Rice,	Tons	—	—	681	21,715	71	2,424	752	24,139
11	Stones, Precious,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Stick-lac,	Mds.	—	—	—	—	9	160	9	160
13	Timber,	Tons	—	—	—	—	94	191	94	191
14	Tobacco,	Mds	—	—	61	235	296	4,230	3024	4,465
15	Treasure,									
	A for Government,	Rs.	—	—	—	—	—	18,000	—	18,000
	B for Private Parties,	"	—	—	—	—	—	12,200	—	12,200
16	Sundries,	"	—	1,500	—	18,715	—	2,68,520	—	2,88,735
	Total			1,500		40,833		3,06,017		3,48,350

Mergui, in the Tenasserim Division of British Burma, during the year 1867-68, including fractions.

Number.	ARTICLES.	Unit of weight or Number.	IMPORTS BY SEA.								Grand Total value of Exports and Imports. Rs.
			From Home or Internal Ports subject to the Government of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Burma		From Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		From Ports within the Territories of British Burma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies		Total.		
			Quantity	Value. Rs	Quantity	Value. Rs	Quantity.	Value. Rs	Quantity.	Value Rs.	
1	Betel nut,	No	-	-	5,03,000	854	10,000	15	5,13,000	869	
2	Cotton Twist & Yarn,	lbs.	-	-	600	489	23,145	27,336	23,745	27,825	
3	Crockery-ware.	Rs.	-	-	31,100	1,201	13,890	878	45,000	2,079	
4	Cutlery,	"	-	-	-	-	-	315	-	315	
5	Gunny Bags,	No	-	-	-	-	300	100	300	100	
6	Hardware,	Rs	-	-	386	1,160	1,188	1,298	1,574	2,458	
7	Piece Goods, Cotton,	Pieces	-	-	1,286	5,943	8,226	21,893	9,512	30,836	
8	Do. Silk,	"	-	-	-	-	993	8,361	993	8,361	
9	Do. Woollen	"	-	-	-	-	884	5,212	884	5,212	
10	Silk, raw,	lbs.	-	-	68	438	2,288	15,335	2,353	15,773	
11	Spiritous Liquors,	Galls	-	-	23	227	719	2,382	743	2,609	
12	Sugar,	Mds.	-	-	2	25	8	105	10	170	
13	Timber, (Slabs,) &c	No.	-	-	-	-	38,202	606	38,202	606	
14	Tobacco,	Mds.	-	-	10	480	1,264	18,082	1,274	18,562	
15	Wines and Beer,	Galls.	-	-	40	125	175	726	215	851	
	Treasure,										
	A for Government,	Rs.	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000	
	B for Private Parties	"	-	-	-	25,960	-	20,602	-	46,562	
16	Sundries,	"	-	-	-	11,114	-	1,41,232	-	1,52,346	
	Total					48,016		2,68,478		3,16,474	6,64,844

Abstract Statement of the Value of Imports and Exports by Sea and Land to and from the
1867-68, with the amount of Duty realized

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	To and from Home or Internal Ports sub- ject to the Govern- ment of India, but excluding the Straits and Aden and the Ports of British Bur- ma.		To and from Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Go- vernment of India, but including the Straits and Aden.		To and from Ports within the Territo- ries of British Bur- ma, including the Ports of the Anda- man Islands and de- pendencies		Total.	
	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
MERQUI,	1,500	—	40,833	48,016	3,00,017	2,68,478	3,48,350	3,16,494

undermentioned Port and Inland Custom House of the Tenasserim Division, during the year or chargeable thereon, omitting fractions.

NAME OF CUSTOM HOUSE.	Total Value for each Custom House.	Amount of Duty realized.	Total value for each Custom House corresponding with the previous year.	Total amount of Duty in corresponding previous year.	REMARKS			
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	NOTE - Imports on account of Government to be shown under the three headings.			
MERRUTI,	6,64,844	4,988	5,63,583	3,050	PRINCIPAL IMPORTS BY OR ON ACCOUNT OF GOVERNMENT.			
					Coal,	—	—	—
					Timber,	—	—	—
					Treasure,	1,000	—	—
					Medical Stores,	600	—	—
					Military do.	486	—	—
					Marine do (Flac.)	16	6	1
					Police Clothing,	2,124	10	—
					Telegraph Stores,	—	—	—
					Opium,	21,600	—	—
					Stationery & Printed Form	798	—	—
					Stamp Paper,	9,600	—	—
					Agricultural Implements,	—	—	—
					Total Rupees	36,225	—	1
					Amount of Fines and Confiscations during Quarter not included in amount of duty,	—	—	—
					Wharfage,	—	—	—
					Total Rupees	—	—	—

Abstract Statement of Grain (Rice husked and unhusked) and Timber Exported from the under-
1867-68, omitting

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Foreign or External Ports not subject to the Government of India, but including the Straits and Aden.							
	United Kingdom		Foreign Europe.		Straits Settlement.		To all other Foreign Ports.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
NO QTY.								
Rice,	—	—	—	—	666	21,455	—	—
Paddy,	—	—	—	—	15	260	—	—
Timber,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

mentioned Port in the Tenasserim Division of the Province of British Burma, for the year fractions.

PORT OR CUSTOM HOUSE AND NATURE OF ARTICLES.	To Home or In- ternal Ports sub- ject to the Go- vernment of In- dia, but exclud- ing the Straits and Aden and Ports of British Burma.		To Ports within the Territories of British Bur- ma, including the Ports of the Andaman Islands and dependencies.		Total by Sea to all Ports.		Total by Land.		Grand Total by Sea and Land.	
	Quantity.	Value	Quantity	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
MERCUL.										
Rice,	—	—	59	2,176	726	23,631	—	—	726	23,631
Paddy,	—	—	11	248	26	508	—	—	26	508
Timber,	—	—	9	191	9	191	—	—	9	191

